



ADULTS & STUDENTS DISCUSSION GUIDE

Message: August 16, 2020

Key thought: The heart changed by God's grace and mercy is motivated with a sense of obligation to extend that same grace and mercy to others.

DISCUSS:

- Luke 10:25-37 -

- If you had to explain the parable of the Good Samaritan to someone who has never heard it before, what would you say? How confident do you feel about answering the following question, "What do I need to do to ensure that when I die, I will go to heaven?"
- Read Luke 10:25-37. What stands out most to you in this passage? What are differences that you see between the self-righteous person and the Christ-righteous person (one who genuinely knows Christ)?
- Read Proverbs 29:23. What are some specific ways that we attempt to justify ourselves instead of demonstrating mercy?
- "Before you can be saved, you have to realize that you are lost." How are good deeds not a substitute for our need for a savior?

APPLY:

- "The most important question for a Christian should be "am I living missionally and acting neighborly?" How would you respond honestly to this question? If Yes, how? If No, what is keeping you from doing so?
- Read John 3:30. How should this verse affect your attitude and actions towards others? In what area do you need help demonstrating humility?
- "Your relationship with Jesus has a direct impact on your treatment of others." Answer the following questions personally: "Do I genuinely love and care about the spiritual, physical, and emotional condition of other people? Do I have evidence (living proof) that proves my love for Christ makes a difference in how I treat others?"
- Share with the group specific ways in which you can demonstrate mercy towards others in the following ways: (1) daily, (2) verbally, (3) tangibly, (4) freely.

MISSIONAL TAKE AWAY:

- Go to www.blesseveryhome.com, create an account, and begin praying about how you can tangibly begin a plan to know, love, and share the gospel with your actual neighbors.