



Matthew 7:12; 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 NIV

1. Kindness is not weakness and never wasted.

Luke 19:1-7

2. Choose kindness over complaining.

Luke 19:8-10

3. Knowing the kindness of Jesus leads to showing that kindness to others.

Think about what you want people to do for you, then take the initiative and do it for them.

Galatians 6:9-10

Small Group Outline & Discussion Questions

Celebrate and Care:

Have each person share a high and low from this past week.

Review:

Knowing the kindness of Jesus leads to showing kindness to others. We can represent Jesus by showing kindness towards others.

Open Up:

Share an undeserved act of kindness you received. How did that impact you?

Discuss:

Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.

- Read Matthew 7:12. Pastor Matt challenged us to ask ourselves what we want others to do for us and then do it for others. What would go on your list?
- If you had been chosen as an example for the embodiment of the 1 Corinthians 13 verses on love, which part would you have felt best about?
- There were many people Jesus could have been kind to, but he chose Zacchaeus. How do we know who God wants us to choose?
- Pastor Matt pointed out that it is easier to see complaining in others rather than ourselves. How can we make the shift from complaining to kindness? What would it give us if we could shift?
- Read Romans 2:4. How does kindness move people toward repentance?

Engage:

Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with these questions then share your thoughts.

Take a moment to identify one area of your life where God wants you be open to interruptions and intentionally kind. Or is there one person he has already put on your heart to extend kindness to in a new way.

What is one act of kindness you will commit to during this next week?

Pray:

Pray for clear opportunities to offer kindness in new ways this week, for eyes to see them, and courage to follow through.