

# Week 2 LIFE Group Study – The Attitude of Mercy

## Checking In

Welcome everyone back to this new series. Introduce any new members to the group. Share a quick story of how you may have applied what you heard last week.

### **Memory Verse**

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy." Matthew 5:7

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### **Discovery Questions**

- Recall of a way of thinking, in your past, that had a profound effect on your character and behavior. Share that thinking and how it affected those around you.
- The showing of mercy can reveal hardened hearts. Is there a time when you showed mercy and the hardened heart was brought into the light? What happened?
- How does the gift of mercy bless both the giver and the receiver??

## **Putting It Into Practice**

Each week Pastor Scott will challenge you to put into practice what you are learning. These challenges will help you take the concepts we are learning deeper into your life and help you with your own personal hope. This week Pastor Scott challenges us to:



- Make a commitment to being merciful. Be attentive to those who may need mercy in the moment. Do not just observe but be active in offering this gift to someone and watch their burden be lifted by a simple act.
- 2. Attend your LIFE group

It is important for us as a group to gather consistently over the next weeks as we learn more and more about the attitudes of Jesus. Our gathering is not just to learn the concepts but to support one another on our journey and to do life together. Your group benefits from your presence and your input is valuable. Commit to one another to be consistent in meeting together. As a group think of someone who needs to receive mercy and determine how the group can go toward it.

3. Attend Church Gatherings (Live or Online) Everything we do together over this next week is designed to help equip you in your own personal understanding of Jesus. Attending the weekend gatherings will help reinforce what you are learning in your group.

### **Prayer Time**

As a group spend some time in prayer together about the study you are doing together. Celebrate the answered prayers this week. Pray for someone you have identified in the previous section as in need of mercy.

TIP: Use index cards to submit a prayer request for you. Of course, it is always valuable to pray for others (and there are other opportunities to do so) but in the moment make it personal. Exchange cards by gender so you may be prayed for throughout the week.