

Ephesians 2:4-7 New Living Translation

4 But God is so rich in mercy, and he loved us so much, **5** that even though we were dead because of our sins, he gave us life when he raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!) **6** For he raised us from the dead along with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ Jesus. **7** So God can point to us in all future ages as examples of the incredible wealth of his grace and kindness toward us, as shown in all he has done for us who are united with Christ Jesus.

Discussion/Journal Questions

What is an act of kindness someone has done for you recently? How did their kindness impact you?

"When given the choice between being right and being kind, choose kind." What do you think of this quote? Do you agree or disagree? Why?

Read Galatians 5:22-23. Do Christians have a reputation for kindness? Why or why not?

Read Ephesians 2:4-7. What are some examples of God's creative and unexpected kindness in your life?

What do we teach people about God when we refuse to be kind?

Read Romans 2:4. How does God's kindness lead us to turn from sin?

Read Luke 6:32-36. What limits does Jesus place on who His followers should show kindness towards?

Who is God calling you to show creative and unexpected kindness to this week?

Who are you praying for to accept Jesus, and what specifically did you do this week to interact with them?

Who are you currently discipling, and what specifically did you do this week to help them know, love, and follow Jesus?

Who are you considering for future discipleship relationships, and what specifically did you do this week to interact with them?