

Inside/Out Study Guide – Week Two

Main Point: Listen, Serve and Forgive.

1. Listen. If you were to ask your family if you are a good listener, what would they say? What would your co-workers say? What hinders your listening?
2. **Read Luke 14:35**. Why do you think Jesus used the “salt” analogy? When you read, “whoever has ears to hear, let them hear”, what is your first response?
3. We know it is not possible to have a close relationship with someone when we don't listen. How have you become a better listener? Did your spouse, children, co-workers help you with your listening skills?
4. Pastor Ken shared an article about how many close relationships we can maintain – how many? Is that true in your life and why?
5. Listening in scripture is always tied to a future action/ decision/response; describe a time when reading God's word you were moved to action.
6. Serve. Serving is an action and an attitude. How do you feel when you serve - happy, fulfilled, obligated?
7. List ways you can serve your families, neighbors, etc. Now, think of ways that Christ served his disciples. What emotions do you think He was experiencing during those serving moments? Maybe, He was thinking – these are some really dirty feet or they should be washing my feet.
Read Mark 10:45.

8. Forgiveness. Is about seeking it and extending it. If you are comfortable, share what forgiveness looked like in your house growing up.

9. "To forgive someone, to free them even if they are guilty, will actually free me". Have you found this true in your life? Read Ephesians 4:31-32. Why is this a powerful scripture?

Read Romans 5:6-8

What is one way, this week, you can:

Listen Well

Serve Well

Forgive Well

Further Reading:

James 1:19-25

Luke 6:49

John 13

Galatians 6:10

Matthew 5:21-24

Romans 12:17-18