

Our **Virtual**

PowerGroup

Love Like That
Week 5 Study

Reminder

This Study Guide is designed to help you take the message with you throughout the week with daily Scripture reading and questions for your personal reflection and application. It is also designed to help you continue the conversation with your family, friends, and POWERGROUP.

Icebreaker

For each statement, put the number that best describes you.

Never(1)

Rarely(3)

Sometimes(5)

Often(7)

Very Often (10)

- ___ I'm intentional about putting myself in other people's shoes to imagine how they think and feel.
- ___ I work hard to treat other people the way I want to be treated.
- ___ I'm known by my friends as someone who puts others' needs ahead of my own.
- ___ I listen intently to others and intentionally put away my phone or other distractions to give them full focus.
- ___ I work at emptying myself of a selfish desire to change other people.
- ___ I love others as I love myself.
- ___ I'm happy to play second fiddle.
- ___ I go the extra mile for other people.
- ___ I'm generous toward people in my life.
- ___ I'm willing to put myself second in order to put another person first.

___ **TOTAL**

Reflection

HOW SELF-GIVING ARE YOU?

Write down the names of three people you are in relationship with.

Next to each of them, answer this question: What does going the extra mile look like in this relationship?



1. _____ - _____

2. _____ - _____

3. _____ - _____

Passage 1 Isaiah 58:6-12 | Proverbs 19:17

Reflection Read Isaiah 58:6-12 & Proverbs 19:17
"What type of "fast" is God looking for from us?
What does God equate caring for the poor to?

Passage 2 Matthew 25:31-40

Reflection Read Matthew 25:31-40
What is the "kingdom of God"? What is the purpose of letting God's light shine in us?

By what criteria will God divide the sheep and the goats?

What criteria did Jesus say the world would be able to determine if we're one of his followers?

Passage 3 Romans 12:1-2

Reflection Read Romans 12:1-2
What does Romans 12:1-2 call us to do? But the call from Romans 12:1-2 is for followers of Christ not to blend in but to stand out and to have the same self-giving attitude that Jesus had.

So, how do we get back to Christ's call on our lives to be a people that serve others rather than just ourselves?

Passage 4 Acts 4:33-35

Reflection If you read through the history of the early church you'll quickly discover that the church took these teachings to heart and made it a key part of their teaching and practices and in their witness to the world.

How did the early Christians view their money and the use of it?
Read Acts 4:33-35

Application

Who in your life would you like to be more self-giving with? It could be a specific person or a group of people.

What is one practical thing you will do to risk to become self-giving with the people you noted? Be as concrete and specific as you can be. Now go and do it!

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