



LIFEgroup STUDY GUIDE

What you will need to supplement this guide:

1. A copy of the outline provided for notes on this message (copy from message or downloaded from the COASTAL APP).
2. A Bible or Bible APP to refer to verses.

PURSUING LIFE TOGETHER *SUNDAY MESSAGE REVIEW*

NOTE to the LIFEgroup Leader: This guide is provided as a tool to assist you in facilitating a structured discussion with your group. When used in conjunction with the outline notes and a Bible this tool will ensure that your group will *Engage Authentically*. The questions are merely recommended “talk starters”. It is important for you to let God help you navigate through the conversation as you *pursue life together* as a group.

OPEN IN PRAYER

STARTER QUESTIONS:

Where have you seen God at work in your life since we last met?

What stood out to you from the message this week?

MAIN IDEA:

- REVIEW THE MAIN TOPIC OF THE MESSAGE. Allow time for discussion
- READ THE MAIN SCRIPTURE FROM THE MESSAGE OUTLINE.

How did this verse speak to you in your life?

- REVIEW THE SUB-TOPICS of the MESSAGE.

Have someone read each of the verses that were highlighted in the message, and briefly discuss.

Is there an area that you feel God is speaking to you through this message?

FINAL THOUGHTS:

- SUMMARIZE the main idea of this message.

Would anyone like to share your thoughts about what we discussed today?

How can we pray for you as a group?

CLOSE IN PRAYER

UNBREAKABLE THREAD

“Love is Kind”

“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.” 1 Corinthians 13:4-6 (NIV)

Description of Real Love:

1. Patient
2. Kind
3. Doesn't Envy
4. Isn't Proud (Humble)
5. Isn't Selfish...
6. Isn't easily Angered
7. Doesn't keep a Record of Wrongs
8. Rejoices in the Truth

“Love is kind.”

1 Corinthians 13:4b (NIV)

I should be kind because...

9. God has been kind to me. (Titus 3:4-7)
- It shows I am a child of God (Luke 6:35)
 - I will receive a “very great reward from heaven.” (Luke 6:35)
 - My soul is nourished (Proverbs 11:17)
 - It makes my life satisfying (Proverbs 3:2-3)
 - It makes my attractive. (Proverbs 19:22)

*“There was a man who was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho when robbers attacked him, stripped him, and beat him up, leaving him half dead. It so happened that a priest was going down that road; but when he saw the man, he **walked on by** on the other side.”*

Luke 10:30-31 (GN)

*“In the same way a Levite also came there, went over and looked at the man, and then **walked on by** on the other side.”*

Luke 10:32 (GN)

“But a Samaritan who was traveling that way came upon the man, and when he saw him, his heart was filled with pity.”

Luke 10:33 (GN)

If you want to be a kinder person...

- Become more aware of people's needs

*“When **he saw the man's condition**, his heart went out to him.”* Luke 10:33b (MSG)

- Learn to empathize with people's pain

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Luke 10:33 (GN)

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Luke 10:33b (MSG)

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- Work through any excuses you might have

Reasons why we might hesitate to be kind:

1. "They need more help than I can give"

"Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them."

Luke 10:34a (NLT)

2. "I don't have time."

3. "They might take advantage of my kindness."

"Let us stop just saying we love people; let us really love them, and show it by our actions."

1 John 3:18 (TLB)

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4. Be willing to be inconvenienced.

"Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. The next day he handed the innkeeper two pieces of silver and told him to take care of the man. 'If his bill runs higher than that,' he said, 'I'll pay the difference the next time I am here.'"

Luke 10:34b-35 (NLT)

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How can I be a kinder person?

- Become more aware of people's needs
- Learn to empathize with people's pain
- Work through any excuses you might have
- Be willing to be inconvenienced.