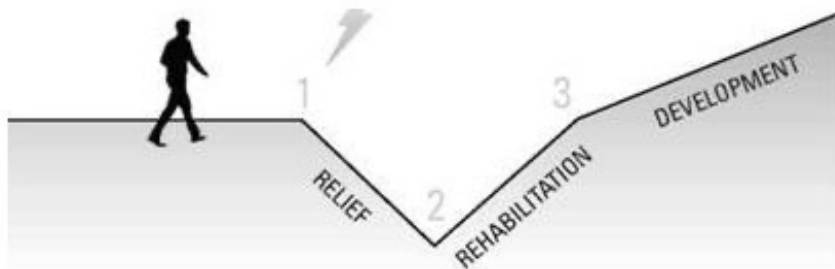


Mercy and Politics

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When drawn to a need: Does this problem call for relief, development, reform, or all three?

What is going on around you?

- What problems are your neighbors dealing with?
- What problems are impacting your neighborhood or city as a whole?
- Where do you see unmet needs, gaps, or opportunities?
- Pray for God to open your eyes to ways you can show mercy in your neighborhood.

How are you uniquely equipped?

- What are your skills? How has God gifted you?
- Where are the needs that your skills might uniquely fit?
- How can you use your skills or resources to benefit others?
- Pray for God to show you ways to use your vocational skills to do justice and mercy.

Where do you have a voice?

- Where do you have a say? Where could whatever power or privilege you have be used to show God's mercy to others?
- What circumstances have uniquely prepared you to encourage, support, or help people—through relief, development, reform or some combination of the three?
- Pray for God to show you where and how to speak up and take action to show mercy and justice.

When are you available?

- Every stage of life looks different. A student, a stay-at-home mom of babies and toddlers, a single professional, a working parent, and a retiree all have different energy levels and availability. God calls us to mercy in every stage of life, but each stage will fit different opportunities best. Each stage has a different unique window into others' lives. There are all sorts of ways to be faithful to our calling to mercy.
- Thinking through your schedule, where does/could mercy fit in?
- Pray for God to show you the good work he has planned out in advance for you to do (Ephesians 2:10).

How to Dig Deeper

redeemindy.org/mercymonth

Midweek Mercy Conversations

Doing Mercy in the City – Wednesday **October 14** at 7pm on Zoom

Doing Mercy in Relationship – Wednesday **October 21** at 7pm on Zoom

OneRead Book Discussion

Renovate: Changing Who You Are by Loving Where You Are by Leónce Crump, Jr.
Sunday **October 25** at 7pm on Zoom

More Resources

The Liturgy of Politics: Spiritual Formation for the Sake of Our Neighbor, Kaitlyn Schiess

Kingdom Calling: Vocational Stewardship for the Common Good, Amy Sherman

Tangible: Making God Known Through Deeds of Mercy and Truth, Chris Sicks

Generous Justice, Tim Keller

Becoming Whole: Why the Opposite of Poverty Isn't the American Dream, Brian Fikkert and Kelly M. Kapic

When Helping Hurts: How to Alleviate Poverty without Hurting the Poor...And Yourself, Steve Corbett and Brian Fikkert

www.greenroomblog.com – Articles about the faith and work movement

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