## Gentleness Change Agent 11/15/2020 Dr. Steve Brown

**Notes:** 

## **LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS:**

Icebreaker: What image comes to mind when you hear the word, "gentle?"

Have everyone spend time reading **Matthew 26:47-54** quietly to themselves. After a few minutes, either have one person read the passage for the group or have each person take turns reading a portion until the entire passage has been read.

## **Sermon Observation Questions**

- 1. Was there anything from this past week's sermon that stood out to you? Explain. Was there anything from the sermon that confused you? Explain. Was there anything from the sermon that invoked an emotion? If so, what was it?
- 2. Observations about this passage: Who was the audience or the characters? What does this passage tell us about sinful man? What do we learn about God or Jesus from reading this passage, and how does that impact the way we love people and love God?
- 3. What questions arise from reading this passage? Is there anything from this passage that sticks out to you personally? If so, what?

## **Life Application Questions**

- 1. What has gentleness meant to you? What was the Biblical definition of gentleness that was taught this past Sunday? How might that definition differ from what you've believed gentleness to be?
- 2. If gentleness is strength under control or appropriately responding to someone with the right emotion, how did Jesus display this in the Matthew 26 passage? What other accounts of Jesus' life display a gentle disposition?
- 3. When have you been impacted by gentleness? Why is gentleness appropriate for the Christian life, as we do life with other people?
- **4. Next Steps**: What areas of your life do you need to be a little more gentle?