

**Worship Notes for July 25-26, 2020**  
**Orrville Trinity UMC**  
**“Miracle of Mercy” Series**

Greetings! As we gather outdoors or online this weekend, here are some resources to help you engage the worship theme with your family or small group. Please use these pages to take notes as you listen to the sermon and participate in your small group.

Blessings in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Pastor David

**Opening Prayer**

From the comfort of our homes we gather to worship. Whether through printed word, or through the gift of technology, we are a community. Here we seek connection to the Divine. Come, let us worship God, shown to us through the risen Christ.

**SERMON NOTES FOR WEEK #3 – “MERCY HELPS THE HURTING”**

**Memory Verse:**

“Your own soul is nourished when you are kind.” (Proverbs 11:17, TLB)

**THREE RESPONSES TO PEOPLE IN NEED**

**1. I keep my \_\_\_\_\_.**

Luke 10:30-31

**2. I’m curious but \_\_\_\_\_.**

Luke 10:32

**3. I get close enough to \_\_\_\_\_.**

Luke 10:33-37

**FOUR STEPS TO SHOWING MERCY**

**1. I must \_\_\_\_\_ of people around me.**

Luke 10:33; 1 Corinthians 10:24

**2. I must \_\_\_\_\_ with people's pain.**

Galatians 6:2; 2 Corinthians 1:4; Jude 1:22

**3. I must \_\_\_\_\_ and meet the need.**

Proverbs 3:27-28; Luke 10:31

**4. I must \_\_\_\_\_ whatever it takes.**

Isaiah 58:10-11; Proverbs 11:17; Matthew 5:7; James 2:20

### **SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS FOR CONVERSATION**

- Share a time in your life when other believers brought you comfort or met a need.
- This week's memory verse says, "Your own soul is nourished when you are kind" (Proverbs 11:17). Share a time when you found that to be true in your life.
- What can you do with the struggles you've been through? The Bible says, "God comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others." (2 Corinthians 1:4). What comfort had God given you when you were going through troubles? How can you share that comfort with others who are hurting?
- The Good Samaritan teaches us that ministry opportunities are usually unexpected, so we must be willing to be interrupted. Think of a time when God engineered an unexpected ministry opportunity just for you. How did you know that it was God-engineered?

### **PUTTING IT INTO PRACTICE**

**Personal:** Who needs you to be their "neighbor" like the Good Samaritan? What will you do to serve them this week?

**Group:** Be sure to set a deadline for taking action on your group's Mercy Project. Without a date, it's not a plan, it's just an idea.