

This guide is intended to help you be better prepared to engage in making disciples in your small group. They are based off of the Sunday sermon listed in the top right corner. If you missed Sunday, make sure you take the time to listen to the sermon before your small group meeting. You can find the messages on our website.

Prayerfully considering these questions will help equip you to practice mutual ministry with your family at Vertical. While it's not likely that all of these questions will be asked during your small group meeting, we believe that your personal walk with Christ will be strengthened as you meditate upon the truths that God is teaching you through His Word.

1. How has your understanding of biblical kindness changed after listening to this sermon?
2. How are kindness and mercy connected?
3. Read Titus 3: 4-5. How does the kindness of Christ serve as a model for your acts of kindness?
4. What is the counterfeit of kindness? How can you practically reject it?
5. In what ways have you chosen niceness instead of biblical kindness?
6. Are you preoccupied with your own life to the neglect of showing kindness to others? How can you shift your mindset to being others focused?
7. What situations or individuals tempt you to act unkindly? Why does this provoke your flesh?
8. According to the story of the Good Samaritan, kindness will require sacrifice and risk. What risks and sacrifices are difficult to make? What does this reveal about what your heart treasures?
9. When there is a need in the church, what is my first response? Why?
10. What is the goal of kindness to those around us?
11. Joe listed several ways to "Do What is Most Helpful." What were they? Which one do you struggle to do the most? Which one comes most naturally to you?
12. How do you determine what is most helpful as you seek to show kindness to others?