

Going Deeper Questions Fast, Pray, Love Brynn Harrington

Sermon Scripture Passage

Luke 10:25-37

Fun icebreaker question

What was your favorite childhood TV Show?

Discipleship Cycle: Debrief & Interpret

Last week's Discipleship Cycle opportunity was: "This week, find a way to encourage a girl or woman that you know in her giftedness. Tell her what you admire about her strengths and ask if there are ways you can support her in living into her calling."

Was anyone able to encourage a girl or woman in your life? Without patting yourself on the back as you share, what was the response?

Quick Review: What stood out to you from this week's passage?

Looking back at your notes from this week's passage and sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

My Story

1) What are some reasons that the priest and Levite might have passed by the man on the side of the road? What are some reasons that we might today? What holds us back from serving neighbors we see struggling?

2) What was the significance of Jesus' naming a Good Samaritan (as opposed to a good Israelite?) How were Samaritans thought of? What would be an equivalent to you?

3) When you look closely at the language used about the physical proximity the priest, Levite, and Samaritan got to the man, what do you notice? Why is that important to the passage?

4) What was the meaning of the "oil and wine" in Luke 10:34? How is that connected to worship? How is loving our neighbors connected to how we worship?

5) How is love of God with heart, soul, mind, and strength connected to how we love our neighbor?

Dive Deeper

1) What did Pastor Brynn mean when she said "You can't exhale radical love if you haven't inhaled it"?

2) Why would it be important for us to identify first with the man on the side of the road before we try to identify with the Good Samaritan? How do YOU identify with the man on the side of the road? How have you experienced Christ's radical love and healing for you?

3) As you look through the Fast Pray Love Guidebooks, what ministries do you feel most drawn to at the outset?

4) In this season, we are inviting everyone to give up a luxury of some kind (alcohol, sweets, ordering take-out, a subscription or streaming service), and at the end of the season, giving whatever money we save to our partner ministries. If you're planning on participating, what are you planning to fast from? Anyone need help brainstorming?

5) Close in prayer using the prayer prompts for Week 1 - for foster families, kids, and DCF workers.

*As you pray through these prayer prompts weekly throughout Lent, we'd invite you to notice which ministries or partnerships you most connect with as an individual, family, or Lifegroup. Are there any Serve Sunday projects you feel collectively drawn to as a Lifegroup that you'd like to consider serving together in April?

Discipleship Cycle: Respond Actively

What is a small act of kindness you can do this week for someone else? As you do, how can you connect with the way Jesus loves you?

A special question for couples and families

As a family, decide on one act of kindness you can do for someone else. How can showing kindness help us disciple our kids in the way of Jesus? How can we talk about kindness - not as a simple act of being good, moral people - but an outpouring of Christ's love for us?

Pray together as a family for our local foster families, kids, and DCF workers. As a Lifegroup, brainstorm some ways to talk with kids about the foster system and why loving foster kids matters to the heart of God.