

SHELTER IN GRACE - NEIGHBORS MAY 23 - 24, 2020 // Ryan Suzuki, Children's Minister

INTRODUCTION

Last week Tyler reminded us that we must GIVE MORE GRACE AS WE SHELTER IN PLACE. Grace is receiving unmerited or unearned favor. This may be easy (or challenging) to do with our own family and friends, but do we have to extend grace to our neighbors too? In Matthew 22 we are commanded to love our neighbors as ourselves. But who are our neighbors?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Who are your neighbors?

1. READ Matthew 22:36-40

- a. What commands is Jesus giving us?
- b. Discuss as a group what it means to "love your neighbor as yourself?
- c. Why do you think we only need two commandments?

2. READ Philippians 2:3

- a. How should we value others?
- b. Is it easier to show grace to someone you know or a someone you don't know?

WE MUST VALUE OUR NEIGHBORS ABOVE OURSELVES

Have you ever extended grace to someone you didn't know? Briefly share.

3. READ Galatians 6:9-10

a. Are you getting weary in doing good? How does this verse encourage you?

4. READ 1 Peter 2:13-17

- a. These verses are very relevant in our current Shelter-in-Place. What does verses 13-14 reminds us to do as we submit to God?
- b. Look at verse 15. What is God's will?
- c. What can happen if we do good?
- d. Discuss verses 16-17 as it applies to believers.
- e. Where do you need to let Jesus be the Lord in your life?

5. **READ Romans 14:13**

a. What does God call us to do and how can we live in this way?

6. READ Galatians 5:13-14 and Romans 6:22

a. Often we think that "freedom" means we can live any way we want. But what does freedom as a believer really mean?

CHALLENGE

Let us remember to do our part to keep others and ourselves safe as we trust God. Lets us submit ourselves for the Lord's sake to every human authority. And finally, let us put our neighbors above ourselves.

COMMIT TO MEMORY

"For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself." Galatians 5:14

PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

Share prayer requests, and commit to praying for one another until you next meet.

GIVE

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