

KIDS STUFF

1. What happened to the traveler in the story of the Good Samaritan?
2. How many people saw him on the road?
3. Why do you think the Samaritan helped the traveler?



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Action Steps
WEEK TWO

Our Mission: The Series
January 4 – February 1, 2009
Heather Hills Baptist Church

Memory Project

Write 1 Corinthians 9:22-23 in the space below.

Meditation Project (*Mercy*)

You were challenged today to "share Jesus with your neighbors."

The following project will help you to think practically about your responsibility in the ministry of mercy.

1. In 1 Cor. 9:22, Paul makes the point that he moved outside of his comfort zone to share the gospel. List ways we can move out of our comfort zone to be able to share the gospel with our community.
2. Paul says he did all this for the "sake of the gospel." How much is the gospel a motivating factor in your life?
3. Paul says he wants to "share" in the blessings of the gospel. List three blessings of the gospel.
4. In the story of the Good Samaritan, the people who did not help were the religious leaders. They seemed to have more pressing business than to help this man. How does the busyness of our daily lives stop us from reaching out with God's mercy?
5. List three ways you have been extended mercy from others and the impact it had on you.

6. Jesus told the lawyer "You go, and do likewise" by following the example of the Samaritan. What are three ways you can show mercy to others?

Ministry Project

In order to be neighborly as the Samaritan was, we need to look for and meet needs in the lives of others. Here is how our church family can get involved this week:

1. Write out your personal testimony of faith in Christ as well as how God is working in your life on a daily basis. Be careful not to use "religious" words the lost may not understand.
2. Be alert and then act to meet a real need in the life of someone who needs the Lord. Here are some possibilities: providing groceries for someone out of work or struggling financially, feeding or finding shelter for a homeless person, shoveling snow from a disabled or elderly person's driveway, providing free babysitting for a single mom or stressed couple who can use a break, helping a neighbor complete a home project, etc.
3. Here's the important part: when you meet the need, give that written testimony to the one in need as a reason to explain why you have done what you did. It's true that "People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care."
4. Be ready to give praise to God for how He uses you to share Jesus in a neighborly manner!