

Greed and the Mercy Giver

Matthew 5:7
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THE BIG IDEA

In order to experience the abundant life that God desires for us we must become merciful people.

GETTING STARTED

1. Share with your group an experience in your life when you were treated with mercy. What effect did that experience have on your life?
2. What was one “take away” for you from Steve’s message?

LEARNING & LIVING OUT SCRIPTURE

Together, read Matthew 5:7.

3. What is greed? What is so tempting about greed?
4. What comes to your mind when you hear the word “mercy” ? How do you define mercy?
5. Does mercy move beyond just a feeling?

Together, read Matthew 18:21-35

6. What is the main point of this parable?
7. What is the connection between giving mercy and receiving mercy?

LIVING OUT “REAL LIFE”

8. How do we become merciful people?

THE “EXTRA-MILE”

9. What are different concrete expressions of mercy? What is one way you can show mercy this week? How can we as a church grow in our mercy giving?

SHARING & PRAYER REQUESTS