

Group Prayer Requests

"One Another" Sermon Series Part 1
April 15, 2018

Ephesians 4:32

Be kind and compassionate to one another

Biblical Kindness

- Kindness is humbly _____ of ourselves in love to others without expecting anything in return (Phil. 2:25-30).
- Why kindness is sometimes difficult:
 - ✓ Others can treat us in ways that are _____.
 - ✓ Others can be _____ for the kindness we show them.

Biblical Compassion

- Compassion means "to _____ together" (1 Kings 3:26).
- Why compassion is sometimes difficult:
 - ✓ We tend to focus too much on our own _____.
 - ✓ True compassion forces you to lay down your _____.

The Kindness and Compassion of God

- The life of _____ exhibits God's kindness (Matt 11:28-29; 12:20; 14:14; 15:32; Luke 7:13).
- God ultimately showed His kindness by giving His Son as _____ for our sins (Titus 3:4; Eph. 2:6-7).

Discussion Guide

Getting Started

Describe a time when someone else was especially kind to you. How did it make you feel?

How is the biblical definition of kindness different from the way the world often views it?

Discussion

Read Acts 27:1-3; 28:1-2

What evidence of kindness is recorded in these two passages?

What are some additional ways that believers at BBC can demonstrate kindness to one another?

Read Luke 6:27-36

Think of other Christians who you have trouble getting along with. Why should you show them kindness? How can you show them kindness?

Besides giving you salvation, what are some other ways God has shown you kindness?

Describe a time when you showed compassion to another person in suffering.

Read 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

What does this passage have to say regarding the claim, "You can't understand what I'm going through unless you've gone through the same experience yourself."

What are some additional ways that believers at BBC can show compassion to one another?

Read Colossians 3:12

What does it mean to clothe yourself with kindness and compassion?

Why is it important for the Christian to rely on God's presence, power and grace when seeking to be kind and compassionate to other believers?