

CG Discussion Questions - Week 6 (11/3 - 11/9)

Warm Up:

- Getting to know you: What is something you have always wanted to learn or try but haven't yet?"
- Reflection from last CG: As you continued to reflect on LAST WEEK'S community group discussion, any further thoughts that have come to mind? Or examples of how you applied Jesus' teaching in your life?
- Diving in: What was one takeaway for you from this week's sermon or from working through the journal?

Discussion:

- Read Genesis 2:15-3:24 and Exodus 34:6-7 together. What did Adam and Eve deserve when they ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil? In a very real sense they were cut off from God, but how did God also have mercy on them?
- Read Matthew 6:9-15 and 18:21-35. How do these passages relate to this beatitude? ("Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy" Matt 5:7) What does God expect us to do according to these passages now that we have received His mercy?
- Read Titus 2:11-3:8. According to this passage, why did God ultimately have mercy on us? And how does He expect us to live now that we have received His mercy?
- If Matthew 5:7 was to be rewritten using culture's idea of mercy, what would it say? How does this mindset contrast with what Jesus said is true?

Application:

- What would it look like for you this week to show mercy to someone?