

Group Leader Tools

Be Kind.

Icebreaker Idea: *Model Question Asking*

Write some good questions on pieces of paper and put in a bowl. Leader starts by choosing a piece of paper and asking one person the question. After that person answers, they choose a question and ask it to someone else. Repeat until everyone has asked and answered a question. (See Resources: Turn Small Talk Into Meaningful Conversation)

Conversation Starters

Read and discuss

“Jesus chose to give as much attention to the social outcast as he did to the religious man; he stopped to talk to the lesser-known person rather than give precedence to the well-known.” Chapter 2

“Jesus used questions to actually know the people in front of him and to help them know themselves. He cared enough for others to bypass the temptation to know it all and look smart, in order to actually draw people out.” Chapter 3

Discussion Questions

1. Share a time when someone's simple kindness had a larger-than-visible impact on your life.
2. Read Luke 18:35-43
 - a. What about this story demonstrates Jesus' kindness?
 - b. Discuss “holy interruptions.”
 - c. Translate this story into a current-day scenario. Consider the impact of this story from the viewpoint of a disciple, the blind man, or a detached observer.
3. What most hinders you from being as kind as you would like to be? Be honest.
4. This week we were challenged to show kindness in intentional ways. Did any of the five chapters stand out to you and did you attempt any of the challenges? Would you like accountability to intentionally practice any of the suggestions in the coming week?



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Resources:

- [Turn Small Talk Into Meaningful Conversation](#)
- Harvard Business Review: [It's More Important to be Kind than Clever](#)

