

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

Loving Community & Extravagant Grace

Matthew 20:1-16

Ice Breaker: What are some ways you have seen the Lord show his grace to you amidst the chaos of this last week?

Ice Breaker: Reflect and retell a time when God showed his grace through someone being generous to you.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Read Matthew 20:1-16. What are your immediate reactions to this eccentric master's payment plan?
2. Is this master, generous or unjust? Explain your answer?
3. What does this parable teach us about God? How does this parable help us understand the gospel? Why is it important that salvation is a gift rather than something to be earned?
4. What are some ways we try to "earn" our salvation even after it's been freely given to us? On the other side, what are some reasons we grumble against God, even though he's already given us all things in Christ? What should we do when we realize we forget the free nature of gospel?
5. **Application:** Since we've been so loved by God and know His amazing grace, what are some practical ways as a family you can exercise the core values of [Loving Community](#) and [Extravagant Grace](#)? Pick one way you can show generosity to your neighbors, church family, and others this week.
6. When we come together again, what role can you play in making our church a loving community that seeks to extend extravagant grace to others?

Note: Please take time this week to share your prayer requests on the [Prayer Wall](#) and pray for those in need. If you are in need, you can request assistance [here](#).

Suggested Resources on Loving Community & Extravagant Grace

- [The Gospel Comes with a House Key](#) by Rosaria Butterfield
- [Compelling Community](#) by Mark Dever & Jamie Dunlop
- [Side By Side](#) by Ed Welch