

God wants more from us than just our money—He calls us into a life-style of generosity and compassion. He wants us to love our neighbors as ourselves; to care for the poor; to do justice; and to make things right. By being aware of our daily surroundings, we can make a huge difference in the lives of others.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. **Read Matthew 25:31-46**. Jesus makes a strong connection between how we treat others and how we ultimately treat him. How can you start to apply this challenge to your own life?
- 2. How can you slow down in your own surroundings this week and notice opportunities to help those in need?
- 3. Are there situations at work or in your neighborhood where you can intentionally build relationships with and care for the poor among you—those poor in spirit, health, finances, or education?
- 4. Mother Teresa once said, "If you can't feed 100 people, then feed one." We can't do everything, but we can do something. Talk about how our neighborhoods, communities, and cities might look if we all did something to care for those around us.

CHALLENGE

This week: slow down, take notice of your surroundings, and ask God how you can help.

COMMIT TO MEMORY

"I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!" Matthew 25:40