Helping Others

Throughout the Scriptures, we are told the importance of helping others. Certainly Jesus demonstrated a life of compassion and action for the sake of the people around him. From the list below, choose a verse that is especially meaningful to you. Then take turns sharing which verse you chose and why. You might decide to memorize the verse you have chosen and recite the verse at your next meeting.

"They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' " Matthew 25:44–45

All they asked was that we should continue to remember the poor, the very thing I was eager to do. Galatians 2:10

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, "Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it?" James 2:15–16

Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it. Hebrews 13:2

If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him? 1 John 3:17

"I tell you the truth, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to Christ will certainly not lose his reward." Mark 9:41

"In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' " Acts 20:35

Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. 1 Peter 4:9–10