

Week 3 – Grace-filled

Starter Questions

1. How did you do last week on being a more hospitable person? Were you more aware of that concept? Any specific ways you were able to extend kindness to others?
2. What is one teaching, principle or practice that has stood out to you from the first two weeks of this small group study?

Watch the Video Teaching (ccsbc.org/groups)

Group Discussion

3. What stands out to you from Esther's story (Esther 1-2)?
4. How would you define the word grace? What characteristics do you associate with a grace-filled person?
5. In what areas of your life do you find it challenging to accept the grace of God? How do you struggle when it comes to receiving the grace others extend to you?
6. Knowing that no human being is ever perfect, why does it seem so difficult to be real and genuine when talking with other human beings? How can you become a more authentic person?

7. Share an experience where the words of another person either built you up or tore you down? How did those words influence your life?
8. As a group, read the following verses and then share which of these life-giving uses of the tongue is most desired by you.
 - a. Proverbs 16:24
 - b. Ephesians 4:25
 - c. Ephesians 4:29
 - d. Colossians 4:6

Prayer

Ask God to begin to more consistently develop in each group member the relational building qualities of joy, hospitality and grace.