

**Know Jesus.**

Luke 6:27-49, 7:1-10

**Predictable Jesus.**

- Loved His enemies
- Didn't judge because of position or title.
- Did judge by what was said and done.
- Showed mercy to the least deserving.

**Unpredictable Jesus.**

- Jesus can be amazed at our faith or lack of faith.
- The power is from God, not the right process or formula.
- The lack of God's presence never diminishes His power.
- We give God our attention because He got ours first.

**Respond.**

- Talk to Him.
- Take your need to Him.
- Trust Him.
- Do what He does.

*Welcome to the Winter Session of Life Groups! Many of our Life Groups use this insert as a discussion guide throughout the week. If you're not in a Life Group, consider taking that Next Step and joining one today! [www.seekreallife.com/groups](http://www.seekreallife.com/groups)*

**Share your Story**

What insight, question, or resolution did you discover from our time of worship together on Sunday?

What is a memory you'd like to share about this last Christmas?

As this new year begins, what is your greatest hope? Greatest fear? How is God helping you to trust Him with your future?

**Connect to God's Story**

**Read Luke 6:18-19.**

Why did the people come to Jesus? What did He do?

Why do you come to Jesus?

### Read Luke 6:46-49.

*Jesus' purpose for people coming to Him is to hear what He had to say and **obey**. When you come to Jesus is obeying Him your desired outcome? What wisdom does He teach us from this story?*

### Read Luke 6:36 & Luke 7:11-17

*Jesus' teaching in chapter 6 sets the stage for the specific miracles he does in chapter 7 and compassion is a key phrase. Re-read Luke 7:13. Do you let yourself see people in need?*

Does it make you uncomfortable that Jesus says we must have compassion? Does your compassion move you to action?

How can seeing people and showing compassion to them help us be the Church Jesus desires for us to be?

*Spend some time in prayer asking God to help our hearts to "overflow with compassion" just like Jesus who we are following. Ask the Lord to help us to courageously act when we hear the Holy Spirit's prompting of our hearts with a willingness to obey.*

**You must be compassionate,  
just as your Father is compassionate.  
- Luke 6:36 (NLT)**

### My Prayer for 2019

My Lord and Savior Jesus, thank you for your gift of grace to me. My soul hungers for you. I want to know you – not just intellectually, but relationally. I give you permission to tear down every false thought, every lie, and every stronghold the Enemy has established within me.

I will pursue my relationship with you with my whole heart. I will hold nothing back from you. I am open and willing to receive the good things you have planned for me.

I ask:

Work your good in me so that I might reflect you more.

Work your good for me so that I might receive all that you intend for me.

Work your good through me so that all around me, people will experience your love and goodness and be drawn to you.

I am open and ready for all you will do in, for, and through me.

I love you, Jesus.

Amen

### Together in prayer.

*As a church, let us come together in prayer:*

- Praise God! We have a new power pole and supply in the new building.
- Pray for drywall to finish ahead of schedule.
- Pray for construction timeline that things continue to move on time.
- Pray for a heart that is responsive to need around you.
- Pray for the one. May God draw each person into a living relationship with Himself.
- Pray for the ongoing funding of the building project and for the safety of all workers involved.
- Pray for our city! For God to reveal Himself in transforming ways.
- Pray for boldness to reach our community with the love of Jesus.