

APPLICATION QUESTIONS
Applying this message to everyday life

1. How do you react to a homeless person holding up a sign and asking for money? Considering the three types of poverty that were shared, how important do you think generosity is? How could you best leverage your generosity?
2. Would you, or have you, ever considered hosting a Thanksgiving dinner for the poor? Why or why not?
3. What are some very practical things you could do to honor the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind?
4. Spend time in prayer for each other and to ask God to help you obey this command.

REALationships
#578 – Invite the Poor
Luke 14:12-14

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Invite the Poor

But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.

Luke 14:13-14

Understanding the Command

To invite is a present imperative verb calling for _____ and _____ action.

Life's most important question may easily become, "What will I _____?"

There are four types of guests to show hospitality: the _____ person, the _____ person, the _____ person, and the _____ person,

Physical limitations are easy to recognize; however, when one ability is _____ God often _____ the potential of another ability.

The poor and disabled are often considered weak and _____ by men, but God _____ their value and great potential.

Three Types of Poverty

1. Poverty by _____ (Pr 22:2)
2. Poverty by _____ (Pr 21:20, Pr 28:22)
3. Poverty by _____ (2 Cor 8:9)

Let's develop this eternal _____ and make a special effort to _____ those who are poor and disabled.

GETTING-TO-KNOW-ME QUESTIONS

Sharing time to get your group started

- A. If you could live your life over again and choose a new career, what would it be and why?

- B. Tell about the last time you had to ask someone for help.

- C. At what threshold do you consider someone to be poor?

LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK

Jot down a brief answer to the following four questions

Quick Review

1. As you reflect on last week's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?

2. Read 2 Kings 4:1-7 and list your observations about what you learn regarding man, and regarding God.

3. The Apostle Paul gives us the analogy of the physical body representing the spiritual body of Christ. What position do the poor and disabled hold within the body of Christ? Read 1 Corinthians 12:15-26 for insight to this question.

4. Read Jesus' parable of "The Great Banquet" found in Luke 14:15-23 (these are the verses immediately following today's sermon text). What does this parable tell you about God's feelings toward the poor and disabled?