

# EVERY GOOD GIFT

THE POWER OF MERCY

## WEEK 6

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect. 1 PETER 3:15b (NIV)

### BEING AN AGENT OF MERCY IN THE WORLD

- The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_

We should all be concerned about our neighbor and the good things that will build his faith. ROMANS 15:2 (GW)

- The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_

After all, who is Apollos? Who is Paul? We are only God's servants through whom you believed the Good News. Each of us did the work the Lord gave us. I planted the seed in your hearts, and Apollos watered it, but it was God who made it grow. It's not important who does the planting, or who does the watering. What's important is that God makes the seed grow. The one who plants and the one who waters work together with the same purpose. And both will be rewarded for their own hard work. 1 CORINTHIANS 3:5-8 (NLT)

- The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_

When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven." LUKE 5:20 (NIV)

[Jesus] is able, now and always, to save those who come to God through him. HEBREWS 7:25 (TEV)

- The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_

Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. COLOSSIANS 4:5 (NIV)

- The Principle of \_\_\_\_\_

The Lord is ... not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. 2 PETER 3:9 (NKJV)

## PLACES TO BE AN AGENT OF MERCY

- Look for people \_\_\_\_\_

*"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."*  
Galatians 6:2 (NIV)

- Look for people \_\_\_\_\_

*"Each one of us needs to look after the good of the people around us, asking ourselves, 'How can I help?'* That's exactly what Jesus did. He didn't make it easy for himself by avoiding people's troubles, but he waded right in and helped out."  
Romans 15:2-3 (MSG)

- Look for people \_\_\_\_\_

*"God comforts us in our troubles, so that we can comfort others who are in trouble with the same comfort that we ourselves received from God."*  
2 Corinthians 1:3-4

- Look for people \_\_\_\_\_

*"Look for opportunities to be hospitable."* Romans 12:13b (NJB)

- Look for people \_\_\_\_\_

*"When people sin, you should forgive and comfort them, so they won't give up in despair."* 2 Corinthians 2:7 (CEV)

- Look for people \_\_\_\_\_

*"Don't repay evil for evil. Never retaliate when people insult you or say unkind things about you. Instead, pay them back with a blessing. That is what God wants you to do, and he will bless you for it!"*

1 Peter 3:9 (NLT)

**"God will not forget the work you've done and the love you've shown him by caring for and helping other people."**

**Hebrews 6:10**