

6. We forget our own stories. Share your own story of rescue. What were you rescued from? How does remembering this impact how you view others?
7. Read Jonah 4:1-11. How do you relate to Jonah's attitude? In what ways might we be angry that God shows mercy to the "wrong people"?
8. Jesus ate with tax collectors and sinners, which scandalized the religious people. Who would scandalize your church or Christian community if Jesus brought them to your dinner table?
9. Are there people in your life you've been avoiding or keeping at arm's length because they make you uncomfortable? How might Jesus be calling you to engage differently?

Practical Applications:

1. **REMEMBER YOUR STORY:** Write out your testimony - specifically focusing on what you were rescued from. Share your story with one person this week who needs to hear about God's grace
2. **BREAK DOWN BARRIERS:** Intentionally have a conversation with someone different from you (politically, socially, economically, culturally). Invite someone to coffee or lunch who others might avoid or overlook
3. **EXAMINE YOUR HEART:** Make a list of your "thems" - people groups you struggle to see as Jesus sees them. Pray specifically for one of these groups each day this week and ask God to show you where your attitude needs to change.
4. **EXTEND GRACE:** Identify one person you've been judging or keeping at a distance, and take one concrete step toward reconciliation or connection this week
5. **PRACTICE PRESENCE:** Look for the invisible people in your daily routine (cashiers, janitors, service workers). Make eye contact, learn names, show genuine interest in their stories