



Relationship Matters:
The Power of Kindness in Seattle
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Acts 11:19-26 NIV
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THREE SIMPLE BUT DISRUPTIVE QUESTIONS:

I. WHO AROUND ME NEEDS JESUS' KINDNESS?

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." - Aesop
SOME OF THEM, however... began to speak TO GREEKS ALSO, telling them THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT THE LORD JESUS. - Acts 11:20 NIV
BE KIND to each other AND TO EVERYONE ELSE.

- 1 Thessalonians 5:15b NIV

"Treat others as you want them to treat you." - Jesus, Matthew 7:12 CEV

"Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples." - Jesus, John 13:35 NLT

II. WILL I BE LIKE BARNABAS TO THOSE IN NEED?

Barnabas: "Son of Consolation; Encouragement"

[Barnabas] sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet.. - Acts 4:37 NIV

When he [Saul] came to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were afraid of him...BUT BARNABAS

TOOK HIM AND BROUGHT HIM TO THE APOSTLES. He told them how Saul on his journey HAD SEEN THE LORD and that THE LORD HAD SPOKEN TO HIM, and how in Damascus he had PREACHED FEARLESSLY IN THE NAME OF JESUS. - Acts 9:26-27 NIV

[Barnabas] was a good [kind] man, FULL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT and faith, and A GREAT NUMBER OF PEOPLE WERE BROUGHT TO THE LORD. - Acts 11:24

"Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a hard battle." - Plato

"When someone gives you a hard time, RESPOND WITH THE ENERGIES OF PRAYER." - Jesus, Matthew 5:44 MSG

"Make the first move; MAKE THINGS RIGHT..."

- Jesus, Matthew 5:25a MSG

"FATHER, FORGIVE THEM; for they know not what they do."

- Jesus, Luke 23:34 KJV

FOUR Disruptive Kindness Ideas:

1) PRAY FOR PEOPLE

2) TIP

3) SMILE

4) INCLUDE

"Always do the next kind thing." - Hal Donaldson

"...GOD'S KINDNESS is intended to lead you to REPENTANCE..."

- Romans 2:4b NIV

III. WHERE IS JESUS LEADING ME NEXT?

Then Barnabas went to Tarsus TO LOOK FOR SAUL, and when he found him, HE BROUGHT HIM TO ANTIOCH. - Acts 11:25-26a NIV
They were amazed and recognized these men had been WITH JESUS.

- Acts 4:13b NET

"FOLLOW ME and I will show you how..." - Jesus, Matthew 4:19 NIV
THE DISCIPLES WERE CALLED CHRISTIANS first at Antioch.

- Acts 11:26 NIV

Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. BE KIND and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, JUST AS IN CHRIST GOD FORGAVE YOU. - Ephesians 4:31-32 NIV

When the KINDNESS AND LOVE OF GOD our Savior appeared, HE SAVED US... - Titus 3:4-5a NIV