

SOMETHING NEEDS TO CHANGE



A Call to Make Your Life Count
in a World of Urgent Need

DISCUSSION GUIDE #7: **SESSION 4 – LOVING GOD AND PEOPLE**

START

- Share your SOAP Journal Entry from this last week.
- What has challenged or convicted you most in our study so far? What changes might you be considering because of this study?
- Describe a time when someone else loved you the way they loved themselves. What did that mean to you?

TEACHING NOTES: Day 4: *Tiny Lights Moving Up the Mountain*

DISCUSS

- What struck you about the church David and his friends visited in the Himalayas? How is it like CrossCity? How is it different?
- Read Luke 10:25-37. How would you summarize the point of this story in a sentence?
- Who might be the Samaritan if Jesus told this story today?
- The teacher of the law asked Jesus this question to try and justify himself. What kinds of excuses do we make to justify our disobedience to God's commands?
- What are some motivations (right or wrong) we have for helping people in need? What should be our motivation?
- What might look different in your life if you loved other people as much as you love yourself?

PRAYER

- Pray for the people in the Himalayas to experience the love of Jesus. Pray for the people on your list who need Jesus, and ask God to show you ways that you can show them the love of Jesus.
- Discuss some ways your group might reach out in love to serve someone in our community.

SOAP JOURNAL EXERCISE WEEK 7

Read: Luke 7

S – Scripture – Choose one verse from the scripture above and hand write it below.

O – Observation – Describe in your own words what you think the verse is saying. Explore words and phrases and try to put down what you “see” in this verse. You can even re-write the verse in your own words.

A – Application – Write down what you should do because of what this verse says. It may be something you need to keep doing, stop doing, or start new. Make it as detailed and specific as possible.

P – Prayer – Write a prayer thanking God for speaking to you, and ask him to help you focus on what he has said and what you should do.