

Acts of Mercy

Kingdom value or skill you hope to see developed: selfless giving

Who this is for: everyone

Desired impact on disciples: learning humility

Desired impact on campus/home/others: receive service

Hear the word

James 2:12-17

Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives freedom, because judgment without mercy will be shown to anyone who has not been merciful. Mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and well fed," but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

- What are the contrasting themes?
- Why would faith without action be "dead"?

Respond actively

What is something you can do with your time this week to serve others? Brainstorm ideas and choose one.

Debrief and Interpret

- How did it feel to give time up for service?
- Did you go in a group or by yourself? What was that like?
- What did you learn about God? Yourself?

Expand the influence

Choose another