



Net Group Discussion Guide: Week Three

Same Kind of Different as Me

INTRODUCTION

This week's movie message was based on the film *Same Kind of Different as Me*. The premise of Ryan's message was that no matter who we are or where we currently find ourselves, we all share a common humanity.

GETTING STARTED

Had anyone seen this movie or read the book prior to Sunday?

THINKING THROUGH IT

- Survey what each group member's level of involvement with the homeless community has been. What ministries have you been part of? What projects have you assisted with?
- In this film, Ron came in with a certain set of prejudices and preconceptions concerning the people at the shelter. What groups do you think experience the most prejudices in society today? What preconceptions surround those groups?
- Ryan read a passage from Leviticus 25:35 that details how well the Israelites treated foreigners. How does this passage challenge what's acceptable in terms of how we treat outsiders?
- From the Baylor study cited on Sunday, it was said that "People don't become homeless when they run out of money. They become homeless when they run out of relationships." Discuss the impact of this statement.
- Read Matthew 25:35-40. What would it look like for you to move from meeting the basic needs of others to the deeper needs of others? *This could have application in outreach, or even within your own family or circle of friends.*
- Watch the clip under week three at netchurch.cc/atm. Discuss the value the insight made by Denver about "seeing others" holds for our interactions with them.
- Read Proverbs 22:9. Where in life have you been on the receiving end of a blessing when you were the one reaching out? What do these examples say about us all being the "same kind of different"?

NEXT STEPS

- Last week you looked over the list of outreach opportunities available at netchurch.cc/atm. Make a definitive plan for which project your group will take part in, and if you haven't done so already, let your campus's Net Group Coordinator know the details of your event (mission, time, date, etc).