

Champions Arise Study Guide

Series: The Four Priorities

Priority #4 – A personal, progressive commitment to the work of Christ in the world

Program #CA 42 (TFP4) – Caring for the Hurting

Focus passage – Mark 12:31, “*love your neighbor as yourself.*”

1) What comes to mind when you hear about helping “*the least of these*”?

2) What are some reasons why men don't feel like they can help the less fortunate?

3) How can we be more like Jesus in compassion for the needy?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

4) What are eight ways men can increase their compassion for “the least of these”?

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2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____

Commitment: I commit to helping those in need as God leads me.

Caring for the Hurting – LEADER’S GUIDE

1. Thank everyone for coming.
2. Open in prayer
3. Read the focus passage.
4. Ask men to answer Question #1.
5. Listen to the program: “Caring for the Hurting”
6. After the program is finished, allow time for comments or questions on the program
7. Review the answers to the three remaining questions with the men in the group. Encourage everyone to participate, but never force or shame someone into participating.
 - a. Question #2 answer: They lack compassion, are too busy, feel overwhelmed by the need, don’t have answers for the need, etc.
 - b. Question #3 answer:
 1. Read God’s word daily
 2. Pray regularly
 3. Meet with other Christians regularly to learn about and worship God.
 - c. Question #4 answer:
 1. Ask God to help us see the hurting the way He does
 2. Become more aware of the needy around us.
 3. Create a list of practical ways we can help someone.
 4. Excuse those who don’t want our help.
 5. Dedicate time to help a widow every month.
 6. Grieve with those who grieve (i.e. widows)
 7. Allow God’s love to flow through us.
 8. Don’t let failure or partial success stop us from trying again.
8. Ask the men what was most important to them from this teaching.
9. Ask the men to commit to helping each other to find opportunities to serve others individually and as a group.
10. Confirm the time for the next meeting
11. Take prayer requests.
12. Close in prayer

Sample prayer: Heavenly Father, increase our compassion and willingness to serve those who are in need. In Jesus name, Amen.