

MATTHEW 25 Community Group Questions

Matthew 25:31-46

1—When have you felt closest to Christ this past week? Currently, where do you see the Lord working in your life?

2—Read Matthew 25:31-46. What are the six actions Jesus will use as the basis of judgment? How do you describe these actions? In Sunday's message, Jimmy described those on the receiving end of compassion as the marginalized in our society. How do you define those who are marginalized?

3—How do the six actions benefit those on the receiving end? What about those who are practicing these actions? How are these actions beneficial for the doer?

4—Note that neither the sheep nor the goats were aware of the impact or the consequences of their actions. What does this teach us about following Jesus?

5—What kind of people do you have the most compassion for? When have you practiced one or more of the actions in the parable? How have you experienced Jesus while being compassionate to others?

6—Which of Sunday's points best resonates with you?

- Jesus is looking for evidence that we are following Him.
- We can't model the life of Jesus and separate ourselves from the marginalized.
- Effort, not talent, is what separates the sheep and goats.
- Serving the marginalized is seldom convenient.
- Don't be surprised with God's surprises.

7—How can you practice compassion towards others this summer at NCC?