

Life Group Lesson Outline

Love Your Neighbor Week 3

Date of sermon given: September 14th, 2025

Icebreaker (10-15 minutes)

Purpose: Encourage fellowship and set a comfortable tone.

Example Questions:

- What were the highs and lows of your week?
 - What hobbies or activities do you enjoy that help you feel closer to God?
 - As we all head back to school, what is one of your favorite memories of your school years?
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Lesson / Discussion (30-40 minutes)

Opening Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:4-7

Theme = in our love your neighbor series, we focused this week on love of the city. Pastor Sam touched on seeking, giving, loving, and multiplying in the place of our exile. So this week are a wrestling with how can we love the city we live in at Christ loves it. Feel free to re-listen to the sermon on Youtube or on our MHC app.

Question 1 = what would you say are some of the biggest needs of the city that you live in? What are the problems? What are the things that are good about your city that you see?

Question 2 = Pastor Sam asked: would San Marcos miss our church if we stopped existing... do you think they would? What are some ways we can start practically loving San Marcos as a church?

Question 3 = Why do you think God advises the Israelites to settle down, build homes, and pray for the peace of the city? What are some of the reasons that God has placed you in North County San Diego?

Reflection / Prayer = Take some time to pray that our church would be a place where we love on another as Christ has loved us.

Prayer Requests (10-30 minutes)

- Invite group members to share prayer needs. It would be good for the Leader to start this sharing time.
- Close with prayer, praying for each request. (if they are comfortable, rotate who prays for the group)

- **Leader Notes** [Space for personal notes or reflections]

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