

# A Pastor for Every Person! ROCK GROUPS

(Evangelistic Care Groups)

## **KINDNESS**

#### ICE BREAKER

Who is the most kind person you know? How does it feel to be around them?

Galatians 5 <sup>22</sup> The *Holy Spirit* produces this kind of *fruit in our lives*: love, joy, peace, patience, *kindness*, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, and self-control NLT

*Kindness*: being friendly, generous, considerate, warmhearted, affectionate, gentle, helpful, thoughtful, unselfish, understanding, sympathetic, compassionate.

Merely "intending to be kind" can often go unfelt, unseen, and unheard.

Kindness is most powerful when expressed thoughtfully
and repeatedly through words and actions.

1 Peter 4 <sup>8</sup> *Most important of all, continue to <u>SHOW deep love</u> for each other ... <sup>10</sup> As each of you has received a <i>gift, use it to serve one another*...

What are some of your *favorite "acts of kindness"* to *give* and to *receive?* 

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### WHAT ABOUT THE TIMES WHEN WE FEEL LIKE BEING UNKIND? :)

Proverbs 16 <sup>21</sup>...**pleasant words are persuasive**...<sup>24</sup> <u>KIND words</u> are like honey ... **sweet to the soul** and **healthy for the body**...<sup>32</sup> Better to be <u>**PATIENT**</u> than powerful; better to have <u>**SELF-CONTROL**</u> than to conquer a city. NLT

How do you think *kindness affects* the *soul* and the *body?*What do *patience* and *self-control* have to do with *kindness?*What do you think would *help you to become a kinder person?* 

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Let's *pray* in groups of 3 or 4 for God to help us *grow in kindness* and *lead us in practical, everyday words* and *acts of kindness*.

#### REMEMBER...

- ✓ Prayer/Ministry Time
- ✓ Pray for COTR Leadership
- ✓ Share Vision of COTR and Rock Groups
- ✓ "Empty Chair" Prayer. *Invite* someone new!
- ✓ Have everyone complete attendance sheet
- $\square$   $\square$  Complete the <u>online report</u> and <u>attendance</u> for the meeting soon