



## How to Live Through a Bad Day – Be Loving

### Warm-up

What is the greatest example of love ever shown to you? What made it so special?

### The Word

Bad days happen to all of us. But, even when we face bad days, we know that God loves us unconditionally and cares for us. As God loves and cares for us, so we should learn to love and care for others in all situations.

There are three areas in which we can learn to love and care for others:

1. I must learn to love and care for my family.

**Read John 19:25-27** Jesus went through extreme personal pain and suffering, yet still showed love, care, and concern for those closest to Him.

What do we learn from Jesus' love and care under these circumstances?

When faced with difficult situations, how do we learn to love and care like Jesus?

2. I must treat other believers as my family.

**Read 1 Timothy 5:3-4, 8** Loving extends beyond ourselves.

In what areas do we need to show love and care to others? How can we better focus our attention on providing for the needs of others?

**Read Matthew 12:50 and 1 Timothy 5:1-2** What do you think these verses are saying? What do these verses show us about our relationship with other believers in Jesus?

**Read Romans 12:10** We are to defend and help our brothers and sisters in the Lord.

What does being "devoted to one another" mean to you?

**Read Galatians 6:2, 10**

How do we give special attention to others in a practical way?

3. I must see others' pain – even when I'm in pain.

**Read Philippians 2:5 and Matthew 5:4**

What do these verses say about our attitude toward others in need? What are the conditions, if any, for meeting these needs?

Our trust is that what God says in His Word is true. Just like Jesus, we are to look beyond ourselves and meet the needs of others. It begins with our family and extends to those in the Body of Christ and, ultimately, to those we are in contact with.

**Read Romans 15:2** Let's find someone to help in a practical way. It may be in a physical, emotional, or spiritual way. One way to begin helping someone spiritually could be to invite them to the Easter production at Church of the King. Easter service times for the three campuses are below:

**Easter Service Times:**

**Little Creek Campus:**

Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>: 5pm and 7pm  
Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>: 3pm, 5pm, and 7pm  
Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>: 8am, 9:30am, and 11:30am

**North Causeway Campus:**

Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>: 9:30am and 11:30am

**Gulf Coast Campus:**

Sunday, April 24<sup>th</sup>: 9:30am and 11:30am

## Prayer

Pray that God will show us how to love beyond ourselves more extensively. Ask Him to show us specific people and their needs that we can meet in a practical way and to help us grow in our hearts an attitude of love and care in all circumstances.