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**Discipleship Phrase:** His heart, my hands.

**Big Idea for Series:** Jesus' heart for the kingdom is on full display.

**Abiding** (*grow as a disciple yourself*)

Spend time this week thinking about and praying over humbleness and submission. How do they tie into community? If humbleness and submission are tied directly into being in community with one another and God, ask God to reveal to you how better you can submit to both Him and those around you. How can you be humbler in your actions and deeds? What are the ways (and even perhaps who) you struggle submitting? Is it more about actions or words? Be prayerful this week about any potential "blind spots" you may have in this area and get ready for a week of transformative discussion in your group.

**Leading** (*facilitate your group effectively*)

This week's sermon touches on an area where we must continually search the attitude of our hearts. Humility is a core Christian value. In leading discussion this week, invite members into why humility is required when in community with others. Do you remember a time when you had to rely on others for support? How did you feel? What does it look like to lose your obsession with your own feelings, needs and desires and shifting your focus on other people? When discussing "true humility", ask what is required of us as Christ followers living in community with others. Finally, as you lead the group into action focus on this: "how can I live my life in submission to God's will" and "where can I deny my own desires if it means benefiting another?"

**Shepherding** (*know, feed, lead, and protect the sheep*)

Humility is the thrust of the conversation this week. There's no question about it, humility is hard. And it's in community where there's opportunities to grow in humility. By being vulnerable enough to lay down our desires for total self-reliance and bring our needs before a community who loves and cares for us, we can mature in humility. This community could be your neighborhood, your local church or this Life Group. Encourage your group this week to lean into, leaning on one another in this group more frequently when necessary.

**Church Announcements** (*be in the know & share with your group*)

Volunteers needed! We are in need of 4 volunteers in Early Childhood Worship to serve every other weekend! This is for the 3's & 4's room and if you play guitar that would be an added bonus! Volunteers are also needed as mentor moms in the Moms TLC group starting Thursday mornings in September. For more information about both amazing opportunities please contact Gretchen Griffin at [Gretchen.Griffin@southeastcc.org](mailto:Gretchen.Griffin@southeastcc.org).

**REMEMBER: "Every group deserves a great leader."**



# LifeGroups

## at Southeast

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**Welcome/Introductions** (*creating a relational environment starts here; be friendly & acknowledge everyone*)

**Open in Prayer** (*kickoff every group gathering with honoring the Lord*)

**Ice Breaker, God Moments, or Highs & Lows** (*choose one that is best for your group this week*)

**Weekly Vision Checklist** (*See Flipbook re: announcements, the “why”, goal, outreach, guidelines, & branching*)

**Ask a Hook Question** (*a thought-provoking question to get the group heading in the right direction*)

What’s the most meaningful compliment you’ve ever received?

**Recap the Message** (*ask a couple people to share what stood out to them in this week’s message*)

**Scriptures References** (*Read scriptures **directly from the Bible**—it carries its own authority*)

**Matthew 7:7-12 (ESV), James 3 (ESV), 1 John 1:5-7 (ESV), 1 John 2:4-11 (ESV)**

**Implications** (*takeaways from the message*)

1. God will often place us in positions where we need community.
2. Being forced to ask for help brings true humility and compels us to see the value in others.
3. Submitting to one another is an act of submitting to God.

**Discussion Questions** (*going beyond the surface*)

1. How might 1 John 7 reflect how community is important to God and you?
2. How self-reliant are you? How has that served you well? How has it hurt you?
3. True humility can only be found in reliance of community. When have you had to rely on community?
4. How can you rely more on community, while growing in humility?

**Prayer Requests** (*record, share, and follow up throughout the week. Use the LEAD App or CCB if possible.*)

**Closing Prayer** (*ask openly for a volunteer, encourage your people to step outside of their comfort zone regularly*)

