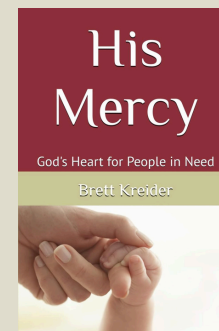


WEEK 3

Section III: The Wisdom of Caring for the Poor

Weekly Guide for Daily Devotionals in
"His Mercy: God's Heart for People in Need"
by Brett Kreider

His Mercy Weekly Guide



DAY 15

Reading.
Job 1-3

Activity

1. Praise God for things other than circumstances. Thank Him for His presence in every circumstance.
2. Pray about anyone you know going through tragedy. Find ways to encourage them especially by listening.

DAY 16

Reading.
Psalm 9, 12, 14, 34, 35, 40, 69, 70, 72, 74, 82, 107, 109, 112, 113, 140, 147

Activity

1. Spend time in silence before God. Pray some of the Psalms.
2. Join or send someone on a service trip to a developing country.
3. Find a local group that helps people in your community and take a day to serve.

DAY 17

Reading.
Proverbs 6
Proverbs 24
Proverbs 30

Activity

1. Find a trusted friend you can talk to who is in a comparable financial situation or can help you with yours.
2. If you are in debt, make a budget, and get an accountability partner.
3. Sign up for a personal finance class or read a book with a spiritual perspective on finances.

DAY 18

Reading.
Proverbs 22
Proverbs 31

Activity

1. Spend time with someone who has a great heart for people in need. Let them inspire and challenge you to grow.
2. Pray for the many children in developing countries who have little or no education opportunities.
3. Consider serving with or financially supporting charities that serve the poor.

DAY 19

Reading.
Ecclesiastes 1-2
Ecclesiastes 12

Activity

1. Consider the biggest decisions of your life. Meet with someone you trust and respect in these areas and ask how can you do better of putting God first.
2. Add something to your financial planning that will help you focus more on helping the poor.

DAY 20

Reading.
Jeremiah 29
Ezekiel 16
Nehemiah 5

Activity

1. Come up with a plan to serve an orphan, foster child, or other child in need.
2. Pray about adopting a child or becoming a foster parent or foster respite parent.
3. Watch the movie Blood Brother or Eric Ludy's video Depraved Indifference.

DAY 21

Reading.
1 Song of Songs 1-3
Song of Songs 8

Activity

1. Consider the statistics outlined in the book (page 78) under the activity section.
2. If you are struggling with pornography, get open, join a support group and start to expose the impact it has on your relationships.
3. Consider talking to a counselor about sexual issues that may trace back to previous trauma.

Please do not feel like you need to do every single activity listed here. In the introduction Brett writes, "Not every idea will be appropriate for you! Please don't feel compelled to take on every suggested activity!"