Good Samaritan Stroll

Mercy Moment 1

What would have been a “nice” thing to do?

Why do some people walk right by those in need?

Mercy Moment 2

When have you been in a situation like this? Did anyone show you mercy?

Have you ever ignored someone who was in need of mercy?

Mercy Moment 3

What would have been the merciful thing to do?

Where else have you witnessed or experienced mercy during this retreat?

Mercy Moment 4

What is the difference between “being nice” and showing mercy?

What is a way that you can show mercy tomorrow?

“Circle of Mercy” by Jeannette Goglia, RSM

Gentlemen begin each sentence by saying “In Mercy.” Ladies complete each line.

In Mercy, we touch the hearts of those who are in mis’ry.

In Mercy, we’re touched by them and feel their strength and courage.

In Mercy, we heal the pain of those who are in sorrow.

In Mercy, we’re healed by them and see the face of hope.

Together:

For the circle of Mercy is timeless: it is Spirit of Life itself

Which roots us in Faith, and lifts us in Hope,

And holds us in God’s loving care,

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Ladies begin each sentence by saying “In Mercy.” Gentlemen complete each line.

In Mercy, we welcome those the world has left rejected.

In Mercy, we’re drawn within the loving heart of God.

In Mercy, we forgive the incompleteness in another.

In Mercy, our sins are healed and we are whole again.

Together:

In Mercy, the Spirit Faith will root us in God’s Presence.

In Mercy, the Spirit Hope will lift us out of doubt.

In Mercy, the Love of God will be our joy in living.

In Mercy, we join with one another on our journey.

Amen.

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