

LIKE THE ONES YOU LOVE

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## Ice Breaker

What are the greatest areas of miscommunication in your life?

## Opening Question

What stood out to you from the weekend message? Was there a scripture, principle, or action step that has stuck with you?

## Scripture

Read Luke 18:35-43

What does the story of the blind beggar demonstrate about Jesus' character? Beside the miracle of sight, what else did this interaction with Jesus give this man? Why do you think the crowd wanted to silence the beggar?

## Discussion

What are the characteristics of effective communication? What about listening? Is it possible to be good at both – why or why not?

What barriers to listening have you experienced in your own life? Recall a time in a relationship when you felt unheard or when you weren't listening well to someone else. What results did you experience?

When you listen and know another person, they feel loved. How can you practice this approach with the people around you this week? Who needs you to listen and know them?

## **Application**

Author of the book "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People" Stephen R Covey says, "Most people do not listen with the intent to understand; they listen with the intent to reply." This week focus on listening to those around you with the intent to make them feel heard and known and therefore, loved just as we are loved by God.

## **Pray**