STUDY GUIDE: CHRISTIAN? "How Do Christians Act?"

Discussion Starters

- 1. What percentage of people in the church do you think are Christian?
- 2. What one word should describe Christian behavior?

Study

To complete the next section of the study guide, you will need to use a Bible Dictionary. Remember, the words listed below are from the NASU, but the word you are trying to define is the Greek or Hebrew word translated by the NASU—NOT the English word. If you have any questions about how to use these tools, contact your group leader or one of the pastoral staff.

- 3. Define the following words or terms.
 - --"forgive" (Matthew 6:14)—
 - --"does" (Matthew 7:21)— (HINT: Tense is important here)
 - --"servant" (Mark 10:43)-
 - --"love" (John 13:34)—
 - --"worship" (Romans 12:1)-
 - --"righteousness" (1 John 3:10)—

4. Choose one of the words you looked up above, and write how understanding the meaning and background of that word better helped you understand this passage.

5. Read the following passages, note what they tell you, and answer the questions below based on what they (and/or any other scriptures) tell you about how a Christian acts.

Matthew 5:43-44, 6:14-15; 7:21-23, 22:37—

Mark 10:42-43—

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John; 13:34; 14:15-

Romans 12:1—

1 Corinthians 5:9-13-

Ephesians 2:8-9—

Philippians 4:4—

1 Thessalonians 5:17—

1 John 3:10—

- 6. What is the relationship between what a Christian believes and how s/he acts?
- 7. Is there one thing a Christian does that is more important than the others? Please explain.
- 8. If a Christian and a non Christian do the same thing (both good), what is the difference?

Taking It Home

- 9. As a Christian, what needs to change in how you act?
- 10. How do you go about making that change for it to be the most effective?