

Confirmation - Living Faith

Name _____

Homework for Chapter 11a (Manna and Mercy For all) -

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Pages 43-47

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Day 1 Read *M&M* page 43. Highlight the last two sentences on the page as well as anything else you wish to emphasize. This is about the beginning of Jesus' work, and an overview of it. Do you think Jesus would have been more or less effective if he had lived in this television age? Why?

Day 2 Read *M&M* pages 44-45. Highlight the four lines that define what parables are. Jesus told parables, and he lived like a parable, with unlimited love showing the unexpected, upside-down nature of God's merciful reign. Does the church as you are familiar with it live like this today?

Day 3 **Where is it written?** The nine parables that are described at the bottom of page 44 can be matched with the nine references from the gospel of Luke that are listed in the lower left corner. Do it! You may write the reference beneath each description.

Day 4 Read *M&M* page 46. Who is included in the embrace of God? Copy the answer given: _____, _____. How is it possible for God to love enemies?

Day 5 Read *M&M* page 47. Jesus did an act of mercy on the Sabbath for a woman who had been bent over for 18 years. He healed her. What did Jesus' adversaries object to, and why?

(Over)

Ask a parent and report their response: Jesus said that God's reign was wildly inclusive. Which groups in our society do you think are most inclusive, and which are the most exclusive, and why? You might think about government and civic organizations, churches, schools, health care, media, businesses....

Parent initial: *I have reviewed my confirmand's homework and talked through the discussion question. This assignment is completed to my satisfaction. _____*