

## CHURCH DNA, PART 7: IRRESISTIBLE SAFETY October 13, 2024 Psalm 34:17-18; Matt 25:34-40

God has designed the church to be a place of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

God's promise: when we are brokenhearted and crushed in spirit, he is \_\_\_\_\_\_ for us!

For some, the church has been an \_\_\_\_\_ place.

## Three types of unsafe people:

- 1)\_\_\_\_\_
- 2)\_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

If unsafe behavior is widespread within the church, it may become

\_\_\_\_\_·

Qualities of a safe person embodied in Jesus:

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION AND DISCUSSION

- 1. Read Psalm 34:17-18. How does this passage make you feel? Why?
- 2. Have you experienced a time of brokenheartedness when you sensed the Lord's presence in a special way?
- 3. Read Matthew 25:34-40. What does this passage say to you?
- 4. Why do you think God's people sometimes do not act in the ways Matthew 25 describes?
- 5. This week's sermon addresses the issue of emotional and spiritual safety within the church. Do you feel that Emmanuel is a "safe place"? How do you think we might strengthen our "security" as a church?