



Everybody
has a story


Project
— Serve —

 Youth Unlimited™

Imagine you see a person, across the street from you, sitting on the sidewalk, asking for money. You stop and watch them for a few minutes what are some of the ways people interact with them?



BE KIND,
FOR EVERYONE YOU
MEET IS FIGHTING A
BATTLE YOU KNOW
NOTHING ABOUT



**Our Word
choices about
their story
matter**

There are words I won't be using today

Words we will use...

People experiencing poverty

People experiencing homelessness

Panhandling

People living with addictions



Image of God



So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

-Genesis 1:27

What are some of the reasons people experience poverty?

Some of the reasons people experience poverty are...

Generational poverty

Trauma/Abuse

Systemic Racism

Economy/inflation

Breakdown of the family

Job loss

Housing prices

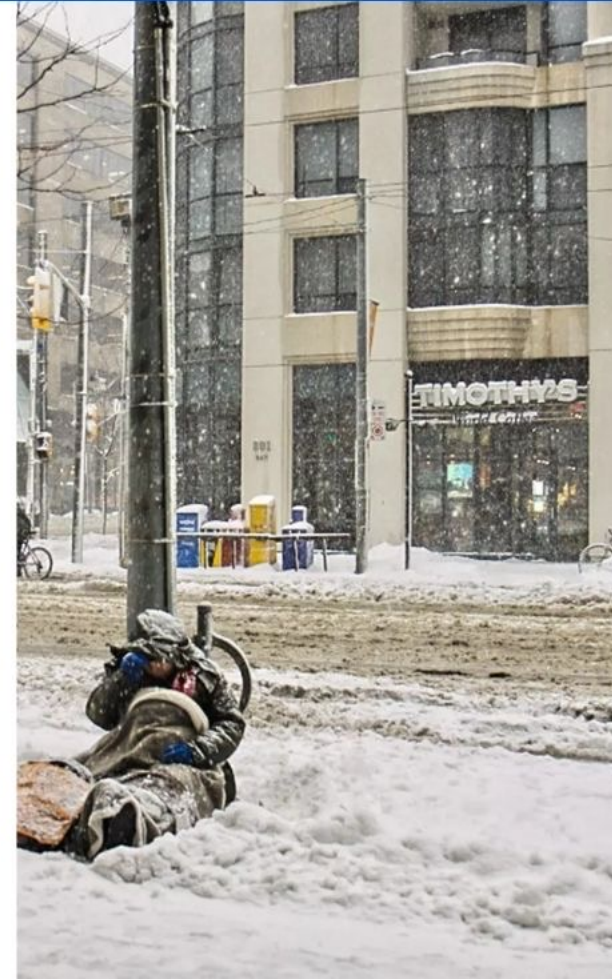
Drug and Alcohol abuse

Mental Illness

Gender inequality

Young pregnancy

CONTRIBUTING FACTORS



Types of Poverty

Economic Poverty

Relational/Social Poverty

Emotional Poverty

Spiritual Poverty



Take some time to think about and consider what type of poverty you are experiencing in your own life right now

Be open to allowing people to meet you here, to meet your needs

How can you meet the needs of others in your neighbourhood? Your Church? Your town?





34 “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. **35** For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, **36** I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ **37** “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? **38** When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? **39** When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ **40** “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

-Matthew 25:35-40