



## Week 6.

- What have you learnt about the Heartedge initiative during the last few weeks?
- Read Matthew 5.1–12
- What is Jesus saying about relating to others in these verses?
- How might we reorientate our Church community to be a positive blessing to those around us?
- Read through the notes opposite which relate to different areas of Church life. They paraphrase a proposal for 'measuring' how a Church is doing in adopting a Heartedge approach.
- Discuss the different areas where we might be able to make changes to benefit and bless our wider community. Make a note of any ideas which can be passed on to the PCC.
- Close in prayer, thanking God for the Heartedge Initiative that has been such a catalyst for change at St Martin's. Pray for ways in which it can be adopted or adapted for use locally.

## Pulling It Together

### Our Relationship with God

Wholehearted Discipleship - For new Christians  
 & those going deeper

### Our Relationship with Ourselves

Healthy bodies & lifestyles  
 Healthy relationships  
 Creativity

### Relationships With each Other

United congregation(s)  
 Diverse & dynamic  
 Able to fund ministry & mission

### Relationships with Near Neighbours

Being a Blessing to Others  
 A sign of God's presence  
 Constructive partnerships - ecumenical & secular

### Relationships across Cultures, Class, Race & other

#### Divides

Intentional Prayer  
 Influencing Culture for good  
 Support of Overseas Organisations

### Relationship with Creation

Minimum ecological footprint  
 Appreciation for Creation  
 Sustainable lifestyles  
 Partnerships to advocate sustainable economy.

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