



HOW TO NEIGHBOR: THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN LUKE 10:25-37

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Being a neighbor means opening your heart to the people God puts in your path.

And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" - Luke 10:25

He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" - Luke 10:26

And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." - Luke 10:27

And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live" - Luke 10:28

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" - Luke 10:29

Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead." - Luke 10:30

Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. - Luke 10:31

So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. - Luke 10:32

But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. - Luke 10:33

He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. - Luke 10:34

And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." - Luke 10:35

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. - James 2:8

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If a brother or sister is poorly clothed and lacking in daily food, - James 2:15

and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, be warmed and filled," without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that? - James 2:16

So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. - James 2:17

The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" - John 8:48

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. - Matthew 9:36

Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" - Luke 10:36

He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go and do likewise." - Luke 10:37

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How to Neighbor

Accept that your neighbors are put near you for a reason.

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Don't let the walls of race, religion or lifestyle keep you from loving your neighbors.

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Find practical and authentic ways to love, serve and witness to your neighbors.