

Who Will Be A Samaritan?
Luke 10:25-37

“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

Question: Have you shown compassion to someone lately?

Main Point: Love does not allow limits on the definition of neighbor.

The Old Testament Commands

“...you shall love your neighbor as yourself...”

Leviticus 19:18

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.”

Deut. 6:5

Point 1: Loving is far more than theological knowledge.

Heart- emotions, will and deepest convictions.

Soul- the inner part of a person’s being.

Mind- reason, thought manifest in controlling action.

Strength- how a person uses their power and abilities.

No more bible study or debate is needed to do what is commanded.

Point 2: Loving gets us out of our comfort zone.

"But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbor?'"

Luke 10:29

"There are no easy escapes for failing to serve and being a neighbor."

-Darrell L. Bock

We cannot be a neighbor to a select few or to the elite.

Point 3: To love is to sacrifice.

Love- to have warmest regard for; to cherish and have deep affection for. This form of love is the highest, most sacrificial form of love.

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship."

Romans 12:1

Love means we do not just throw money at something in order to pacify guilt.

Love means we serve.

Question: Are you willing to be a Samaritan?

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