



Small Group Discussion Guide

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"A Disciple's Neighbor"

Luke 10:25-37

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Introduction: We are to become neighbors to whomever God puts in our path, regardless of race, position, gender, or religion. We should love others with the agenda of showing God's grace and love.

Discussion:

1. Read Luke 10:25-29. Who is testing whom here? Do you think the expert in the law believed he passed the test? Why did he feel the need to justify himself?
2. How would most people define a "Good Samaritan?" Read Luke 10:30-37.
3. If you were to guess which person would have helped the man on the side of the road, who would you have said? Why was it a plot-twist when the Samaritan stopped to help (you may have to look up the history of Samaritans and Jews)? What did he do to care for the man?
4. Contrast Jesus' question in v. 36 with the original question in v. 29. How is the emphasis different? Who is a neighbor, according to this parable?
5. Which of the following 3 obstacles is most likely to hinder you when you see someone in need: 1) busy-ness, 2) explaining and helping someone see the error of their ways or 3) fear? Why? What barriers did the Samaritan have to overcome to help the man?
6. How can you love those in your path with the agenda of showing God's grace and love?