

2. The 'charity begins at _____' technique.

'But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him.' Luke 10:33-34 NIV

'The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'" Luke 10:35 NIV

3. The _____ of love.

'Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?' The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise.'" Luke 10:36-37 NIV

'Whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' Matthew 25:45 NIV

'God be merciful to me, a sinner.' Luke 18:13 NIV

'Love one another, as I have loved you.' John 13:34 NIV



SMALL GROUP SERMON DISCUSSION

1. Read Luke 10:25-29. What is the question the lawyer asks and what kind of world view does the question assume?
2. What do you think eternal life means? What did the lawyer assume about how a person receives eternal life?
3. What is the answer to the question as found in the scriptures (see v26-27) and what is Jesus' opinion of this answer? (see v28).
4. According to these verses, what is most important to Jesus - what a person knows, what a person does, how a person relates to other people?
5. In v29, the lawyer asks Jesus a second question. What is his motive for asking the question? Why do you think he feels the need to justify himself? What thoughts are going on in his mind? What do you think he expects Jesus' answer to be?
6. Read the Parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10:30-35.
 - What is the big surprise in the story?
 - Why might we have expected the priest or the Levite to help?
 - What reasons might they have had for walking by on the other side?
 - What reasons might the Samaritan have had for going on by like the others?
 - Why did he stop to help?
 - What is Jesus' point in having the Samaritan exemplify brotherly love toward one's neighbour?
 - How does this story answer the lawyer's original question, "Who is my neighbour?"
7. How can we follow Jesus' teachings and show love for other people? How should we treat someone who needs our help? someone who is different from us? someone who might have been unkind to us?

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