

Luke 10 - A Good Samaritan & Mary and Martha

1. Read **Luke 10:25-29**. The man who was talking with Jesus was actually quoting two verses from the Old Testament. Use the cross references in your Bible to locate those passages and highlight them.

"Love the Lord your God" is from _____, and

"Love your neighbor as yourself" is from _____.

2. Now read **Luke 10:30-37**. Jesus' story about a "good Samaritan" shows us what it means to "love our neighbor." Suppose Jesus were telling it to us today where....

....Jerusalem to Jericho might be like your city to a city across the state,

....the priest and Levite might be a pastor and a Sunday school teacher,

....the Samaritan might be an immigrant from Somalia,

....wine and oil might be like an antiseptic and penicillin,

....the donkey might be like a pickup truck, and

....the innkeeper might be like a paramedic.

Write out an outline of your new version.

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3. Read **Luke 10:38-42**. Jesus' visit with Martha and Mary shows us what it means to "love God" with all our being. Do you think Martha was loving God while she was working in the kitchen? Why? Or why not?

4. Jesus said that Mary chose "the one thing necessary," which will not be taken away from her. What could that mean?

5. Put these stories together and you get the idea that **we show our love for God by how we love our neighbor**. What are some ways you can make this come true in your own life?

6. By the way, did you know that there are federal and state statutes called "Good Samaritan Laws" which protect people who assist victims of an accident or crime? Here, for example, is a summary of the Minnesota statute.

Duty to Assist: A person at the scene of an emergency who knows that another person is exposed to or has suffered grave physical harm shall, to the extent that the person can do so without danger or peril to self or others, give reasonable assistance to the exposed person. Reasonable assistance may include obtaining or attempting to obtain aid from law enforcement or medical personnel. A person who violates this is guilty of a petty misdemeanor.

General immunity from liability. A person who, without compensation or the expectation of compensation, renders emergency care, advice, or assistance at the scene of an emergency or during transit to a location where professional medical care can be rendered, is not liable for any civil damages as a result of acts of omission by that person in rendering the emergency care, advice, or assistance, unless the person acts in a willful and wanton or reckless manner in providing the care, advice, or assistance.

This does not apply to a person rendering emergency care, advice or assistance during the course of regular employment, and receiving compensation or expecting to receive compensation for rendering the care, advice, or assistance.

So, can you imagine yourself as "a person at the scene of an emergency"? What do you think you would do?