

# Message Notes

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**Luke 10:25-37** - On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" <sup>26</sup>"What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?" <sup>27</sup>He answered: "'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, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" <sup>28</sup>"You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live." <sup>29</sup>But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup>In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup>So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>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.' <sup>36</sup>"Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" <sup>37</sup>The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

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## Questions for Reflection and Discussion

Luke 10:25-37

1. When was the last time you came across someone with a need? How did you respond?
2. Why are loving God and loving others central to our faith? In what ways will a person's love for God be seen in their love for others?
3. Think about the four people this story focuses on. Note their similarities and differences. Whom do you most identify with, and why?
4. Consider in contrast how the Priest and Levite didn't help the beaten and robbed man, while the Samaritan did help him. What can you learn from each that will help you do what's best?
5. What must happen for a person to have mercy (compassion) toward someone in need?
6. Glean as much as you can from this story that can help you help others in need. In what specific ways does this story teach you what to do and what not to do?
7. For you to take a step forward and "go and do likewise," what commitments do you need to make and what actions do you need to take?