

Neighbor

- I. What Shall I Do
 - A. Luke 10:25-29
 - B. A lawyer is testing Jesus by asking about inheriting eternal life.
 - C. Jesus questions him about the law.
 - D. The lawyer quoted the greatest commands but wanted to push further.

- II. Who is My Neighbor
 - A. Luke 10:30 – A man travels from Jerusalem to Jericho. He is robbed and beaten.
 - B. This was a rough road that was difficult to travel and known for violence.
 - C. Luke 10:31-32 – A Priest and Levite walk by on the other side.
 - D. Luke 10:33-35 – A Samaritan stop and helps.

- III. Desiring to Justify
 - A. The lawyer asked the question to justify himself.
 - B. Do you think that the Priest and Levite had a justification for not stopping? Leviticus 21:1-3
 - C. Jesus used these examples to apparently question those who chose ceremony over mercy.
 - D. How often is it easy to justify not helping?

- IV. Mercy
 - A. The Samaritan had every reason not to stop.
 - B. John 4:7-9 – Jews and Samaritans did not get along.
 - C. Compassion becomes the difference between those that saw the man. VS. 33
 - D. Compassion led to mercy as the Samaritan did even more than he had to.

- V. Conclusion
 - A. The lawyer had to admit that the one who showed mercy was the neighbor. 36-37
 - B. Compassion led to one being willing to help at his own risk.
 - C. Do we show mercy?
 - D. Are we a good neighbor?