

Won't You Be My Neighbor?

(Luke 10:25-37)

- Introduction:
1. The Good Samaritan is probably one of the best known parables of Jesus.
 2. In it is revealed an example of how to live out the second greatest command that God gave...Love your neighbor as yourself.
 3. Let us examine several lessons from this parable.

I. Being A Neighbor Can Be Costly

- A. (Luke 10:35).
- B. Not only from the standpoint of money, but of time and investment.
- C. How willing are you to get involved in the lives of others if it involves inconvenience?
- D. (Matthew 5:43-48).

II. Being A Neighbor Will Bring Happiness

- A. (Acts 20:35).
- B. (Ephesians 2:10).
- C. Paradox: The best way to lighten your own load is to bear the load of another.

III. Being A Neighbor Will Remind You Of God

- A. (Colossians 3:23-24).
- B. (Matthew 25:40) In as much as you have done it unto...
- B. Remember your service is to God, not your fellow man.

IV. Being A Neighbor Will Challenge Your Humility

- A. (Philippians 2:1-4).
- B. Will we serve when no one sees and no one knows?
- C. (Hebrews 6:10).

V. Being A Neighbor Will Make You Vulnerable

- A. (2 Timothy 3:12).
- B. Job - Serve God for nothing (Job 1:9)?
- D. Preach & Serve in season and out of season (2 Timothy 4:2).

- Conclusion:
1. May we learn to care for people like Jesus did and this good Samaritan did.
 2. And when we learn to love, have compassion, and serve - we will never be more like Jesus.