

PART 3: How Are You Loving?

<u>Begin</u>

Luke 10: 25-37

³⁰ In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. ³⁴ 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. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii^[C] 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.'

<u>Reflect</u>

- How are you loving your neighbor?
- Of the three types of investments mentioned, which one do you have the most trouble with investing in your day-to-day life? Emotional? Time? Spiritual? Why?
- Jesus shared the Parable in verse 30-35. Parables were shared for reflection and challenge. What is the biggest takeaway from these verses?

<u>Review</u>

37 The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

- Love requires action! What have you been wanting to do to show love to someone, but you have been holding back or making excuses about?
- What step can you take today to put love in action for your "neighbor"?

<u>PRAY</u>

God, help me to go and do! Push me to see what you see and act how you wish me to act. Don't let my life or excuses get in the way of showing your love to people I encounter. Give me opportunities to stretch my faith. Amen.