

You Go, and Do Likewise Discussion Questions

Luke 10:25-37

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1. Why should our love for God increase our love for our neighbors?
2. In Erwin Lutzer's book *One Minute After You Die*, he wrote that "While relatives and friends plan your funeral you will be more alive than you have ever been." What does he mean by "you will be more alive than you have ever been? Why is this important to us here and now?"
3. What is the answer you would give to "What must I do to inherit eternal life?"
4. Read Luke 10:27, Deuteronomy 6:5, and Leviticus 19:18. What does it mean to love God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength? Are you loving God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength? In what ways are you doing this?
5. If we were to ask your neighbors if they felt you loved them, what would their answer be? How can you love on your neighbors more?
6. What is the meaning of Jesus' answer in telling the Parable of the Good Samaritan?
7. Why is it more important to focus more on our actions of being neighborly than on who is or isn't our neighbor?
8. Read Luke 10:31-32. What reasons could the priest and Levite had for not helping the man in need of help? Are these good reasons not to help? How are you like them? What reasons to you give for not stopping and helping someone in need? How do you justify yourself?
9. Read Luke 10:33-35. How did the Good Samaritan go the extra mile in what he did? What did it cost him? How can you go the extra mile for someone in need of some help? What will it cost you to do this? What is the reward for helping?
10. Read Matthew 5:43-48. Is there a particular neighbor, group of people, enemy etc. you have a hard time loving? Why? What can you do to change this? Why is it important for us to love them?
11. Who is your neighbor who needs you?