

Who is My Neighbor?
Week 3: What Will Happen?
July 26th, 2020

OPENING PRAYER

Have someone in the group invite God's Holy Spirit into our presence. Pray for your encounter with God's Word. Ask God to open your heart and mind to some new understanding and especially to a new way of life.

SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES

~Safe Group	~Silence	~Sharing
~Confidentiality	~No Cross Talk	~Self-Aware
~Listen	~No Fixing	~"I" Statements
~Pause	~No Rescuing	~Handle Conflict Biblically

"GETTING TO KNOW YOU"

Go around the room and briefly share your answer to the following question:

Who has been a Good Samaritan in your life? (Briefly explain)

INTRODUCTION

This week we continue in our series ***Who is My Neighbor?*** We are finally moving into the actual text of **The Good Samaritan** this week. There have been many questions to consider in the preface to the story. This week we will discover an important, yet unspoken, question that seems to drive the heart of the story... **"What Will Happen?"**

Jesus implies that each person who passes by the unfortunate victim by the side of the road asks that question in some form. The first two must be thinking, "What will happen to me if I stop?" The third shifts the question to, "What will happen to him if I don't?"

Listen as our story is shared from Luke 10:30-35

Bible Storytelling: Luke 10:30-35

- Tell the Story: This week's story will be told by one of our group members.
- Examine the Story: Looking at Luke 10:30-35 in your Bible, what did the storyteller add or omit in their retelling? Does anything else stand out to you?
- Read the story: Have someone in your group read the passage of scripture as everyone else follows along in their Bible.

DISCUSSION:

Go around the room and share from your heart, remembering the group guidelines.

- **What character do you see yourself as in this story (other than the Good Samaritan)? Why?**
 - **What reaction would the Jewish listeners have had to Jesus casting a Samaritan as the hero of the story?**
 - **Who are the "vulnerable" in your life?**
 - **Who do you see as your enemy?**
 - **If you dared to love your enemy, what would it cost you?**
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- **CLOSING PRAYER**-Spend some time in prayer, pray for the season we are in, for those that may be affected, for the community, for our world. Pray for one another, for those that might be absent and for prayer requests.