



Go and Do
Likewise!

Luke 10:25-37

I. A LAWYER WANTED TO DEBATE JESUS THE RABBI V. 25-28

²⁵ And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" ²⁷ And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live."

II. The Lawyer wanted to Demonstrate His Righteousness v. 29.

²⁹ But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"



III. The Two Men of God Who Had No Compassion vv. 30-32.

³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

- What excuses do people make for not helping someone in need?

IV. But a lowly Samaritan went above & beyond to show compassion v. 32-35.

³³ But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ And the next day he took out two denarii^[c] and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.'

V. Jesus Drives Home the Point vv. 36-37

³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy."

And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise."

- The one who showed compassion was proven to be the neighbor (see v. 29).
- Go and do likewise. See Matthew 25:31-46 for extra credit!

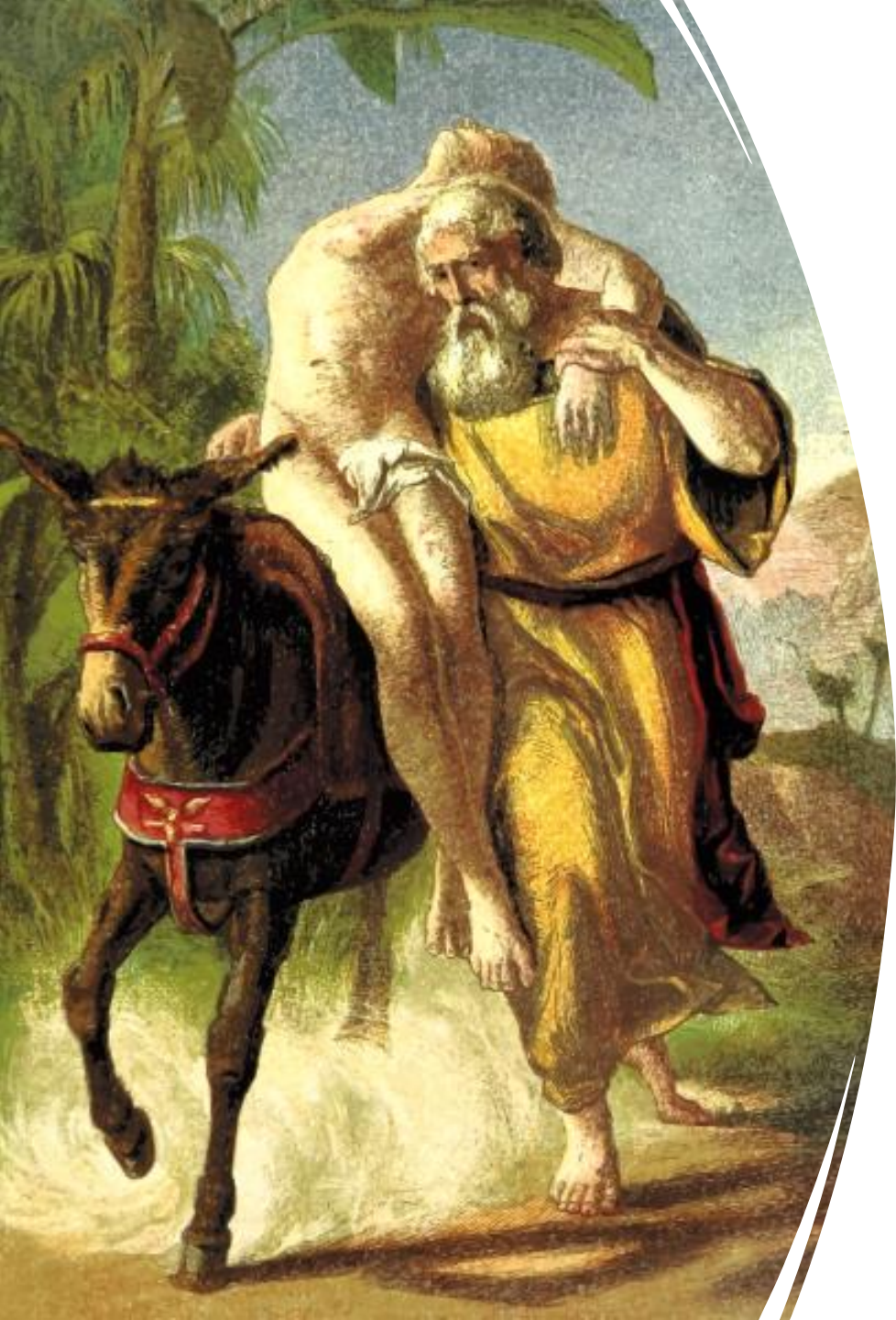


Applications:

- I. Don't look for excuses to avoid getting involved.
- II. Or Neighbors are anyone that we might encounter as we travel through life.

Applications:

- Jesus taught us that to truly love our neighbor as ourselves requires us to meet their needs from hearts filled with compassion rather than merely a sense of legal obligation.
- People's needs include physical needs, but it goes beyond that. People need to be loved, welcomed, forgiven. They have spiritual and emotional needs. People need hope, and they need grace & truth.



Application:

- Instead of asking "and who is my neighbor, which is another way of saying, "who should I love?" We should ask how can I show love to people? How can I help? Lord, help me to see people the way that You do.