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disciple:

// someone who follows Jesus and leads others to do the same.

Studying God's Word is one of the best ways to grow your relationship with God, be tuned to the Holy Spirit, and get to know Jesus intimately. John 1 tells us that the Word is God, the writer of Psalms tells us it will light our path, and Jesus tells us in John 8 if we abide in His Word, we are truly His disciples.

This tool is just one of the many ways to study the Bible and dive deeper into the passages we will be studying each weekend together. Our hope is that you begin to deeply understand the scripture we will be unpacking and allow God to speak to your heart before you even walk through the doors on Sunday.

This tool is designed to help guide you as you seek to understand the context of each verse, what it meant to its original audience, and what it means to us today.

There are a few ways you can utilize this PDF.

01 Print the PDF.

-or-

02 Download the PDF, open in a notes app (GoodNotes, Notability, etc), fill it out digitally.

-or-

03 Use the PDF to transcribe into a notebook or journal.

5 Marks of a Disciple

- Know Jesus Intimately
- Follow the Holy Spirit Relentlessly
- Obey God's Word Completely
- Love His Church Wholeheartedly
- Seek the Lost Intentionally



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Week of August 7th // Conversation: August 13th
The Parable of the The Good Samaritan




This week we take a look at the well-known parable of the Good Samaritan. We will learn in this story, “who is my neighbor?”

pray.

Before you begin your devotional, find a quiet place to focus and pray about what the Lord wants you to learn today.

observe.

Let’s explore the word parable. Parable comes from the Latin word parabola, from Greek parabolē, meaning “comparison.” Jesus used stories with common events and experiences to explain spiritual truths.

- 01** Using your favorite color, mark any reference to God or the Lord with a .
- 02** Mark any reference to Jesus with a .
- 03** Underline the word “neighbor.”
- 04**  the word “mercy.”



Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ One day an expert in religious law stood up to test Jesus by asking him this question: “Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?”

²⁶ Jesus replied, “What does the law of Moses say? How do you read it?”

²⁷ The man answered, “‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.’ And, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

²⁸ “Right!” Jesus told him. “Do this and you will live!”

²⁹ The man wanted to justify his actions, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

³⁰ Jesus replied with a story:

“A Jewish man was traveling from Jerusalem down to Jericho, and he was attacked by bandits. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him up, and left him half dead beside the road.

³¹ “By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by. ³² A Temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side.

³³ “Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. ³⁴ Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, ‘Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I’ll pay you the next time I’m here.’

³⁶ “Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?” Jesus asked.

³⁷ The man replied, “The one who showed him mercy.”

Then Jesus said, “Yes, now go and do the same.”

John 4:9

The woman was surprised, for Jews refuse to have anything to do with Samaritans. She said to Jesus, “You are a Jew, and I am a Samaritan woman. Why are you asking me for a drink?”

Matthew 5:7

God blesses those who are merciful, for they will be shown mercy.



interpret.

01

What question did the “expert in the law” asks Jesus (see v. 25)? And how did the expert in the law answer when Jesus asked him what was written in the Law (v.27)?

02

Which two people ignored the victim of the robbery? Is there significance to why Jesus mentions the man who took care of him was a Samaritan? If so, what is it? (Hint: see John 4:9)



interpret.

03

How did the expert in the law answer Jesus when he asked, “Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?” (Hint: see Luke 10:37)

04

Look up the definition of “mercy” (dictionary.com) and write it here.

What does Jesus say God will give those who show mercy? (Hint: see Matthew 5:7)

apply.

01

Who do you say is your neighbor? Is it restricted to just your physical neighbors by location or do you see the cashier at the checkout line, the volunteer at the library, or any other person you encounter on a daily basis as your neighbor?

02

How can you put into practice treating others with mercy and compassion? Identify at least one way you can do it this week!

bring it together.

Jesus used this parable to explain how we are to treat others. Does society tell us the same or different, especially to those who don't believe what we do?

Jesus treated you with kindness, compassion, and mercy. Reflect on how you can do likewise and put it into practice.

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