



## ADULTS & STUDENTS DISCUSSION GUIDE

Message: August 30, 2020

**Key thought: Action is the living proof that you really are a good neighbor.**

### DISCUSS:

### - Luke 10:34-35 -

- Read Luke 10:25-37. What question does the lawyer ask that pertains to each one of us? What actions taken by the Samaritan stand out to you most from our passage? Explain.
- According to our passage, who is our neighbor? What are some ways that we tend to overthink how we are called to love our neighbor?
- What is the difference between knowing something and doing something? What do we sometimes use to justify ourselves to keep from acting with mercy toward others? What is an example of this that you have seen in your own life?
- What is one of the greatest acts of neighborly love that you have experienced? Would you be willing to do this for others?

### APPLY:

- Read Luke 10:34-35. "If we don't practice the great commandment, we will become numb to it." Do you feel that your actions reflect intentional gospel living? Explain. How do we see this expressed in our passage?
- "Drawing near to others always presents risks and challenges." How do you see this to be true in our passage/your life? What are some ways that you can make your actions of loving your neighbor practical?
- Read James 2:14-18. "Our actions should be a natural response to our obedience and our faith in Christ." What are some ways that you are being led to demonstrate your faith by your works?
- In our passage, we see the Samaritan express love for his neighbor through many actions. As believers, we are called to have actions that are selfless and also provide hope to others. What are ways that you find it difficult to "die to self" in demonstrating love towards others? What are some tangible ways that you can point to the hope that Christ gives us in your interactions with your neighbors?

### TAKE ACTION:

#### **CHURCH: Partner with the Downtown Rescue Mission**

- This week, we will be collecting the following items to help the Downtown Rescue Mission as they serve the homeless and those in desperate need in our immediate community. You can drop these off at the main campus this week or our main entrances this Sunday:
  - body wash, deodorant, Kleenex, shaving cream, shaving razors, underwear/socks (new & all sizes), disinfecting spray and/or wipes, and hand sanitizer. [DowntownRescueMission.org](http://DowntownRescueMission.org)

Friday, October 30 – Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat (Need at least 20 cars). Sign up details coming soon!

#### **INDIVIDUALLY: Be an intentional neighbor & live out the gospel**

- Pray for your neighbors by name. Take a 1st step in inviting them to join you at WBC on Sunday, September 20 for worship!