

SERMON SERIES: Relationships
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Seek the Word

Read Luke 10:25-37.

- When the man asked Jesus how to inherit eternal life, what was the answer to that question? *(Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and love your neighbor as yourself.)*
- Why do you think the man asked Jesus who his neighbor was? *(He was trying to differentiate who he had to love and who he didn't have to love. He probably thought he only had to love other Jewish people.)*
- How did Jesus answer him? *(He told a story.)*
- Retell the main points of the story.
- Why do you think the priest and Levite didn't stop to help? *(They were worried about the perception of other people, what they would think of them. They were worried about being contaminated or defiled by touching what might have been a dead body. They were more concerned about their purity and reputations.)*
- What kind of reputation did Samaritans have with Jewish people? *(They hated Samaritans and thought of them as less than them.)*
- What did this Samaritan do? *(He stopped and helped the man and saved his life.)*

Talk About It

- What enables a person to reach out to someone in need? *(They recognize that they're just as broken and needy as the other person. No one is better than anyone else. We can empathize with one another because we realize our own weaknesses.)*