

HOW TO FIND ETERNAL LIFE

LUKE 10:25-42

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The Good Samaritan

1. How does the lawyer summarize the law?
 - a. _____ Deuteronomy 6:5
 - b. _____ Leviticus 19:18

2. What question should the lawyer have asked if he truly desired the kingdom?
Not Who? but _____?
“Eternal life is not a passion of his soul but a topic for debate; he is not wanting to satisfy a crying need but to engage in a battle of wits.” ~Dale Ralph Davis~

3. Why did Jesus tell the lawyer this story?
Three reasons at first glance:
 - a. To show that this kind of brotherly love is _____.
 - b. To answer the _____ is my neighbor question.
 - c. To answer the _____ question.

The Golden Thread of the Story

To reveal to the lawyer: You _____ eternal life.”

The first note of the parable is not: here is what you should do, but here is what you do not do. The ‘good Samaritan’ does not preach to us our duty but reveals that we have not met that duty.” ~Dale Ralph Davis~

The Good Portion

1. “Martha is distracted with much serving.”
2. “Mary has chosen the good portion.”

“One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD.” ~Psalm 27:4~

“The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.” ~Psalm 16:5~

Who is the Good Samaritan?

~Ephesians 2:4-5~

Questions for Discussion:

1. How do you answer the question "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?"
2. Are you guilty of gerrymandering to determine who you need to love? Repent and ask God to help you love your neighbor as yourself.
3. As you read the story of the Good Samaritan are you convicted? How should you respond?
4. Write the name of a person that perhaps you're reluctant to engage with and love.
_____ Take Action this week to go out of your way to serve them.
5. Do you get easily distracted and frustrated with all the to-dos? Ask God to help you focus on what is most important.
6. Is Jesus your ONE THING? How can you cultivate more childlike faith to sit at Jesus' feet and listen to His Word?
7. Are you enjoying the Good Portion that God has given you in Christ? Taste and see that the LORD is good. ~Psalm 34:8~
8. Thank Jesus that He is your Good Samaritan. Ask Jesus to heal you and empower you to love like he loves. How we treat others reveals how well we know God.

"Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful." ~Luke 6:36~