

TEXT: Luke 10:25-37 (p. 1058)

There are three questions either explicit or inherent in this parable

1st Q = "What must I do to inherit eternal life?"

2nd Q = "...Who is my neighbor?"

3rd Q = How should I love my neighbor?

STRETCHED LOVE

Luke 14:12-14

[12] Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. [13] But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, [14] and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

STRETCHED LOVE

STOPS & HELPS — Luke 10:30-34

THE HARD TO LOVE — Luke 6:32-36

[32] "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' love those who love them.

[33] And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' do that.

[34] And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' lend to 'sinners,' expecting to be repaid in full. [35] But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. [36] Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

GOES THE EXTRA MILE — Luke 10:34

COMMITTS FOR THE LONG TERM — Luke 10:35

THE PARABLE IS NOT GOSPEL IT IS LAW

Luke 10:25-29

The reality is we can never be "good enough" Samaritans to save ourselves

THE LAW DOESN'T SAVE — BUT THE GOSPEL DOES

Colossians 1:12-14

[12] giving thanks to the Father, who has **qualified you** to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. [13] For he has **rescued us** from the dominion of darkness and **brought us** into the kingdom of the Son he loves, [14] in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

WE HAVE BEEN SAVED — JUSTIFIED —
BY THE STRETCHED LOVE OF GOD

HAVING BEEN SAVED BY THE STRETCHED LOVE OF GOD
YOU WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY THIS WEEK
TO STRETCH YOUR LOVE

TO STOP (when an opportunity to help appears)
Attack the excuses immediately

TO HELP SOMEONE
Not based on their likability
but based on their need

TO GO THE EXTRA MILE

*TO PROMISE TO BE THERE FOR
SOMEONE IN THE FUTURE*

STRETCH YOUR LOVE AND SO REFLECT

THE OUTSTRETCHED LOVE OF GOD

THAT HAS SAVED YOU

YOU WILL NEVER BE A PERFECT SAMARITAN

BUT YOU CAN BE A BETTER SAMARITAN

BECAUSE YOU ARE A SAVED SAMARITAN