Growth Group Curriculum WINTER SEMESTER 2022

<u> "CALLED" WEEK 5 - Luke 10:25-37 - Mercy</u>

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REVIEW

- 1. Was there anything from this past Sunday's message that challenged or confused you?
- 2. Can you think of one thing from Sunday's sermon that you are likely to remember two weeks from now?

MY STORY

- 1. Mercy is regularly inviting people, especially those who are different from us, into our lives through the sharing of time, attention and resources.
 - a. How does this picture of mercy compare and contrast to your current lifestyle?
 - b. Share a time when you have been warmly welcomed. What were the circumstances, and how did you respond to this act of hospitality?

DIGGING DEEPER

- 1. Read Luke 10:25-29.
 - a. The Lawyer knew the Old Testament rules and rituals better than most. What were the two laws that the Lawyer boiled the entire Old Testament down to?

- 2. In verse 29, the expert of the law asks Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?," in order to "justify himself." How does his question serve to justify him or to avoid the spirit of the law?
 - a. In what ways do we justify ourselves when it comes to loving people near us but not like us?
- 3. Read Luke 10:30-32. In the Jewish tradition what were the roles of Priests and Levites? In our culture who could they be compared to today?
- 4. Read Luke 10:33-35. Jesus' story outlines many ways the Samaritan "showed compassion" on the beaten victim. What do you think Jesus is trying to get the lawyer to see?
 - a. Why do you think Jesus chose a Samaritan as the hero of the story (John 4:7-42)?
- 5. Read Luke 10:36. How does Christ reverse the religious expert's original question from vv. 29?
 - a. How was Jesus trying to expand the lawyer's idea to what it takes to have eternal life?

Prayer Requests: