

Good Scholar Or Good Samaritan

Luke 10:25-37

INTRODUCTION:

- A. This past week we have seen firsthand the love and care of others for their neighbors.
- B. The term “Good Samaritan” has become synonymous with any kind of sacrificial kindness.
- C. Many Christians may be good scholars who know what the Bible says, but are we good Samaritans?

JESUS AND THE EXPERT IN THE LAW (vs. 25-29)

- A. This scholar asked Jesus an important question; “What shall I do to inherit eternal life” (Eph. 2:8, Tit. 3:5-7).
- B. Jesus wanted the scholar to tell Him how he read what was written in the Law. He may have had a phylactery attached to his arm or forehead.
- C. The scholar demonstrated his scholarship in his response to Jesus (Deut. 6:4-5; Lev. 19:18).

JESUS AND THE PARABLE (vs. 30-35)

- A. The priest and the Levite were both religious men who would have known the Law (Deut. 15:11; Lev. 19:33-34).
- B. The people the scholar would have expected to stop were the very people who passed on by.
- C. The one who was least likely to stop was the very one who took the time to stop and help (Jn. 4:4-9; Lk. 9:51-56).

JESUS AND THE APPLICATION (vs. 36-37)

- A. Jesus told the scholar, “Go and do likewise.”
- B. Do you just know the Law of God or are you willing to live out the Law of God (Jam. 1:22)?

JESUS AND ME

- A. Take notice of others who are hurting and in need around you (Matt. 9:35-38).
- B. Take action even if it means you are inconvenienced (I Jn. 3:16-18; Matt. 25:31-46).
- C. Take no credit for the help you give. Allow God to receive the glory (Matt. 6:1-4; 5:16).

CONCLUSION:

- A. There is a big difference between knowing the law and living out the law. The priest and Levite knew the Law they just chose to ignore it.
- B. Our love for God will be seen through our love for one another (Jn. 13:35).