Sunday, September 27.2020
Pastor Jake Magee
The Journey | The Good Shepherd
Luke 10:24-37



And behold, a lawyer stood up to put him to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live." But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' He said, "The one who showed him mercy." And Jesus said to him, "You go, and do likewise." - Luke 10:25-37

The Occasion

The Trap

The Story

Small Group Questions 9.27.20 www.sheltonfbc.org/smallgroups

Series: The Journey Scripture: Luke 10:25-3



Getting Started

Describe the best neighbors you've had? The worst?

The Big Idea - As Jesus makes his way to Jerusalem to die, lots of broken people are embracing him and inheriting eternal life (vss.1-24). Tragically, many religious people are appalled because He appears to be lowering God's standards to include these people. One lawyer tries to prove this through a trick question. Jesus uses the trap to show how this man has disobeyed God's law like all the broken people he thinks should be avoided. To drive the point home, he gives the famous parable of Good Samaritan.

Read Luke 10:25-37

- 1) In verse 25 a religious lawyer (someone who had a mastery of God's law) attempts to trap Jesus with a question about how someone goes to heaven.
 - a) What is he hoping Jesus might say?
 - **b)** One possibility is that he thinks Jesus has lowered God's standards to let people in. In light of verses 1-23, why might he think this?
- 2) In verses 26-28 Jesus likely surprises the lawyer by going to God's law to answer him.
 - a) How does the lawyer summarize God's law?
 - **b)** Jesus seems to say that one can inherit eternal life by obeying the law (vs.28). How can this be true given what the Bible says elsewhere (e.g. Galatians 3:10)?
 - **c)** The lawyer believes Jesus doesn't take the law as seriously as he does. It turns out Jesus is the one who takes God's law seriously, not the lawyer. Discuss what it looks like for a human being to really obey these great commandments?
- 3) In verse 29, the lawyer tries to "justify himself."
 - **a)** People often feel the need to "justify" themselves when they get caught doing something they shouldn't be doing. Give some examples from your experience.
 - **b)** In light of his response, what do you think the lawyer is trying to cover up?
- 4) Who is your neighbor? Who isn't?

- **5)** Historically, Jews and the Samaritans regarded each other with so much hostility they redefined "neighbor" to exclude each other? Why (hint: Google Search it)? What are differences that exist between people today that move them (us) to tinker with God's commandment?
- **6)** Look over parable again. What are the traits of both a good and bad neighbor, and how does that relate to our relationship to people in our community?
- 7) In our passage, the lawyer starts out criticizing Jesus for embracing a bunch of law-breakers. Jesus shows that the lawyer is also a law-breaker that needs grace. Looking through the parable once again, what are the ways the Good Samaritan is really a picture of Jesus?

FBC Family Updates & Information

- ◆ TODAY!!! HS Sunday School—9:30 am in C3 AND MS Sunday School—9:30 am in Rm. 101
- ♦ Baptism Class: Sunday, Today! 10:30 am. Rm. 205 Interested? Come Join Us!
- FBC Family Business Meeting / October 04, 2020—Elder Affirmations <u>www.sheltonfbc.org/eldervote</u>
 - The Elders have vetted the following men for Elder Leadership and with full confidence are presenting them for affirmation. Upon affirmation by the Active Members of FBC, Mike Dorcy and Allen Walker will serve a 3 year commitment. Vote by Mail In Ballot, or Online Ballot until Oct.04.20 **Questions**: Contact Pastors or Elders at (360) 426-8461.
- Sunday Services—Sign Up to attend 9am or 10:30am http://www.sheltonfbc.org/
- Sunday Morning Notes & Questions online at: http://www.sheltonfbc.org/sundaymornings/
- Watch our Live Stream Services Sundays @ 9:00 and 10:30am https://www.facebook.com/sheltonfbc/ Scroll down the page to see the Livestream. Comment to let us know you're with us!
- Watch our RECORDED Service on Vimeo: https://vimeo.com/user104570771 click on the **+FOLLOW** in the right hand corner to get notices of our postings.
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FBC Ministries this Fall...



Small Groups—

You Need Community & Community Needs You!

We'd like Everyone to fill out the Small Group Sign Up /Survey on Sundays, or online at www.sheltonfbc.org/smallgroups

Men's Ministry

Mon. | 3:30 pm. NEW! Men's Discipleship Group | 2nd & 4th Monday | Rm. 201 with Pastor Jake, Begins September 28th. "The Problem of Pain" by C.S. Lewis. RSVP fbc@sheltonfbc.org or (360) 426-8461

Tues. | 6:00 pm. Men's Bible Study Fellowship On Line | RSVP to Gerry Zacher (253) 380-5615

Sat. | 7:30 am. Men's Bible Study | 2nd & 4th Saturdays, at the home of Mike Rieck RSVP (360) 359-6103

Women's Ministry

Wed | 9:00 am. Women's Bible Study Fellowship *On Line* | RSVP to Doris Zacher (253) 232-3252 *Other opportunities to be decided.*

Youth Ministry

- Mon. | 6:30 pm. HS Youth Group in C3
- Wed. | 6:00 pm. MS Youth Group in C3
- Thur. | 10 am—2 pm. NEW! High School Study Time FBC Coffee Bar & Commons Area
- Sun. | 9:00 am. HS Bible Study in C3
- Sun. | 9:00 am. MS Bible Study Rm. 101

Children's Ministry

- Sun. | 10:30 am. ZOOM —On Line Sunday School
- Sat. | 12 noon Soccer Club with Jeff Watson at Loop Field Other Opportunities to be decided.

Senior Adult Ministry

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