

## Boldly Love Each Other [John 15:9-17](#)

### Boldly Love Your Neighbor

[Luke 10:25-37](#) The Parable of the Good Samaritan

Our neighbor is the person in need and the one who helps us when we are in need.

### Serve the Boro

We share the love and message of Jesus Christ through intentional and practical acts of service and kindness.

A simple act of kindness opens an unbeliever up to the greatest act of kindness of all: The Gospel. Servant Evangelism is a wonderful expression of the Great Commandment and the Great Commission.

**Bold Next Step: Today I will sign up to Serve the Boro in as many events as I can.  
I will show the love of Jesus to my neighbors as I serve them in Jesus' Name.**

### What Kind of Neighbor Am I?

“Who is my neighbor?” is a good question to ask, but we should also ask: What kind of neighbor am I?

**Am I a neighbor of \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_?**

Jesus was hoping their hearts would be moved from judgement to compassion.

Serving and helping people is important, but it must be done in the right attitude and motivated by compassion.

**Am I a neighbor who is willing to \_\_\_\_\_ my sin of \_\_\_\_\_?**

When Jesus says a priest and Levite see the robbers' victim but “pass by on the opposite side” of the road, what he is saying is they created distance between themselves and the beaten man left for dead.

Of all people, the Priest and Levites were commanded to love their neighbor. [Leviticus 19:18](#) / [Luke 10:33](#).

**Am I a neighbor who is willing to \_\_\_\_\_ a little \_\_\_\_\_ to help others?**

Maybe the priest and the Levite saw the need, but they were in a too big of a hurry. Maybe they didn't have the spare time to invest in the hurting man. Does this sound like us? Too busy to Serve the Boro?

**Am I a neighbor who is willing to help people who are \_\_\_\_\_ or even my \_\_\_\_\_?**

“Good Samaritan” makes no sense. For the Jewish audience, a Samaritan was despised and considered an outcast. There was a strong prejudice and hatred between the Jews and Samaritans.

**Am I a neighbor who is willing to spend a little \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ someone in need?**

[Luke 10:34-35](#) Investing your money in efforts that bring people to Christ Jesus is the best kind of investments.

**Am I a neighbor who is willing to \_\_\_\_\_ to others?** [Luke 10:37](#)

- God declares that He is a God of mercy! [Exodus 34:6-7 \(NLT\)](#)

- And Jesus tells us to be merciful just like our Father God. [Luke 6:36](#) / [Luke 10:36b](#)

## Life App Group and Family Devotional Application

1. In John 15:9-17, what is the greatest act of love shown to us? What are we called to do for each other? How?
2. In the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37), who did Jesus say is our neighbor?
3. When asking ourselves what kind of neighbor am I, do we tend to judgmental (why) or compassionate?

4. When it comes to serving our neighbors, do we tend to be indifferent to their needs? In what ways do we tend to cross to the other side of the road rather than facing the problems people are dealing with? What kind of suggestions can you give the group to help us overcome our indifference?
  
5. A Samaritan may not be a negative term to us, but what person or people groups might Jesus use if he was telling us this parable? Who do you struggle to love?
  
6. How generous are you with your finances when it comes to helping those in need? What does Believers use our Easter offering for?
  
7. On a scale of 1-10, how does your "Mercy" meter read?
  
8. In your own words, describe Serve the Boro. What is your favorite event and why?

Answers: judgement – compassion / confront – indifference / give – time / different – enemy / money – help / show- mercy