

**Brenneman Miss – October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 // Rhythm #3 – Neighboring**

*Look at the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)*

**1. The Question that Leads us to Question**

<sup>25</sup> On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” <sup>26</sup> “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?” <sup>27</sup> He answered, ““Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’<sup>[a]</sup>; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’<sup>[b]</sup>” <sup>28</sup> “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

**Questions that lead us to Question**

<sup>29</sup> But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” 10:29

**2. The Characters in the Story**

<sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> The next day he took out two denarii<sup>[c]</sup> and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

The Characters in the Story: Priest, The Levite, and the Samaritan (all three went by the exact same scene)

Three Different Responses: They all Saw this man – but they all responded differently

\*They saw Him with physical eyes, but not spiritual eyes (moved with pity/ empathy/ compassion)

--He saw Him      --He went to Him      --He cared for Him      --He provided for Him

The reasons they may have responded this way:

\*Dangerous = There was possible personal risk and danger (this road was known as the pass of blood),

\*Deserved it = the should of known better than to go on that place, that time

\*Get Dirty = it would be out of my comfort zone, uncomfortable, unclean

\*Too Busy – Too costly.....

\*Didn't really see this man...

**“God help me see the people I have been conditioned not to SEE”**

**3. The Moment We are In**

<sup>36</sup> “Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?” <sup>37</sup> The expert in the law replied, **“The one who had mercy on him.”** Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”

Power of the story is in the placement of the man in need!!!!

“Meet the needs of those around you (concrete and human needs) with such a sacrifice and cost that people will need to hear the GOSPEL to understand your life – Tim Keller

A Neighboring Moment Could BE ANYWHERE and is EVERYWHERE!!!

**Closing: How do I Live this WAY???**

God expand MY Vision to live this way – God expand my capacity to embrace people this way  
God reshape my heart to see like you do, I need RE-Neighbored in You

