

“It’s A Beautiful Day In The Neighborhood”

How Do You Define A ‘Neighbor’?

Luke 10:17-24

Variations of the word ‘neighbor’ are used some 160 times in the Scriptures – including 17 times in the book of Deuteronomy. Clearly the Lord is concerned how we treat our neighbors. Observe how a lawyer responds to the command regarding neighbors by attempting to define non-neighbors. Then confess that “everybody is my neighbor” and make plans to show the love of Christ within the context of your neighborhood!

I. What is _____ in _____? (v 25-28)

1. For Jesus the OT is the definitive, _____ standard for _____ and _____.
2. This _____ gives the _____ answer: see the _____ as an outworking of _____.
3. Mere _____ is insufficient. True, saving faith flows forth in _____.

II. Who is my _____? (v 29-35)

1. This man’s attempt to _____ reveals his lack of _____.
2. Who do you define as a _____ - _____? First catechism:
3. In Jesus’ _____ the _____ actions would have been unthinkable.

III. Which _____ proved to _____ a _____? (v 36-37)

1. Don’t ask “_____ is my neighbor?” but “how can I _____ a neighbor?”
2. Notice the emphasis in this parable on _____.
3. Schedule a “_____ event” in your neighborhood this spring!
4. Pray for a recovery of _____ in our neighborhoods.