

Life Group Discussion Guide Heart Matters: Neighbors Matter Matthew 22:34-40, Luke 10:25-37

Main Thought: Won't you reach your neighbor?

Sunday Outline:

- Love <u>God</u>.
- Love Your Neighbor.
- Who's <u>Your Neighbor</u>?

<u>Welcome & Fellowship Time</u> (Suggested Time 10 Minutes)

Open in Prayer

<u>Week in Review:</u> (Suggested Sharing Time 10 minutes)

• What is one practical thing you did to remind a friend of yours that 1) you love them just as yourself, and 2) Jesus loves them unconditionally?

Discussion Starter: (Suggested Time 5 minutes)

• How have neighborhood relationships changed over the last twenty years? Why do you think that is?

<u>Sermon Review:</u> (Suggested Time 10 minutes)

Read Matthew 22:34-40 and discuss the following questions.

- Which aspect of your love for God do you find comes easiest? Most difficult?
- Why do you think Jesus says that all of Scripture is based on these two commands?
- Read Luke 10:30-37 and discuss what it would look like for you to respond to your neighbors the way the Samaritan did to the man along the road.



Digging Deeper: (Suggested Time 25 minutes)

Read Matthew 5:13-16 and discuss the following questions.

- What does this passage have to do with loving your neighbor?
- What does it mean to be salt and light?
- How can you shine your light as a neighbor?
- What is the result of shining your light?

Application: (Suggested Time 10 minutes)

- What aspect of your love for God do you need to develop? What steps will you take to grow that area?
- Who are you neighbors? What will you do to build relationships with them and demonstrate God's love to them?
- Reach Three Will you pray regularly for three people and look for opportunities to reach out to them?

<u>Group Prayer Requests:</u> (Suggested Time 10 minutes)

Spend time praying for each other & praying for application of the study in the lives of the group members. (Suggested time 10 minutes)