

Welcome to Bible Study 10 July 2022 – “The Good Lawyer”

Welcome everyone to the Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Opening Prayer Please pray together

Eternal and glorious God, you dwell in a high and holy place, yet draw us near in your beloved Son; we humble ourselves before you and pray that we may know your loving presence, our one true God for ever, Amen.

Q 1 Do you know your neighbours name? Have you ever had to help them? Discuss

Worship suggestions

All over the World the Spirit is moving
A new commandment I give into you
Let there be love shared among us

Word; Luke 10.25-37 The Good Samaritan

²⁵ An expert in the Law of Moses stood up and asked Jesus a question to see what he would say. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to have eternal life?”

²⁶ Jesus answered, “What is written in the Scriptures? How do you understand them?”

²⁷ The man replied, “The Scriptures say, ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind.’ They also say, ‘Love your neighbours as much as you love yourself.’ ”

²⁸ Jesus said, “You have given the right answer. If you do this, you will have eternal life.”

²⁹ But the man wanted to show that he knew what he was talking about. So he asked Jesus, “Who are my neighbours?”

³⁰ Jesus replied: As a man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, robbers attacked him and grabbed everything he had. They beat him up and ran off, leaving him half dead.

³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road. But when he saw the man, he walked by on the other side. ³² Later a temple helper came to the same place. But when he saw the man who had been beaten up, he also went by on the other side.

³³ A man from Samaria then came travelling along that road. When he saw the man, he felt sorry for him ³⁴ and went over to him. He treated his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put him on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. ³⁵ The next morning he gave the innkeeper two silver coins and said, “Please take care of the man. If you spend more than this on him, I will pay you when I return.”

³⁶ Then Jesus asked, “Which one of these three people was a real neighbor to the man who was beaten up by robbers?” ³⁷ The expert in the Law of Moses answered, “The one who showed pity.” Jesus said, “Go and do the same!”

Q 2 A deep hatred existed between the Jews and Samaritans. The Samaritans were a mixed race. The hatred was so bad that if a Samaritan walked past a Jewish man's house and his shadow was cast on his food, he wouldn't eat it. Through this parable Jesus challenges us to love. Please discuss this terrible hatred and this renewing love.

Q 3 Why do we struggle so much to love those that are different to us?

Word; Psalm 25.1-10 A Prayer for Guidance and Help

¹ I offer you my heart, LORD God,

² and I trust you. Don't make me ashamed or let enemies defeat me.

³ Don't disappoint any of your worshipers, but disappoint all deceitful liars.

⁴ Show me your paths and teach me to follow;

⁵ guide me by your truth and instruct me. You keep me safe, and I always trust you.

⁶ Please, LORD, remember, you have always been patient and kind.

⁷ Forget each wrong I did when I was young. Show how truly kind you are and remember me.

⁸ You are honest and merciful, and you teach sinners how to follow your path.

⁹ You lead humble people to do what is right and to stay on your path.

¹⁰ In everything you do, you are kind and faithful to everyone who keeps our agreement with you.

Q 4 The only hope our world has, is if we can love our neighbour as ourselves. Jesus summed up all the law in these two commandments.

Love God, love your neighbour. How do we do this? Discuss

Q 5 Our neighbour is anyone of any race, creed or social background who is in need. Lack of love is often easy to justify.

Share your thoughts on both aspects – agree and disagree.

Works

Who can we reach out to this week who is in need?

Ending prayer Please pray together

O Mighty God, You are the way, You are the truth, and You are the life, now that we have read Your word in this Bible Study, help us to live in your ways, in your truth, and in your life, as You continually reveal yourself to us and to all who invite You into their homes and hearts, Amen.

Shalom

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