

WELCOME to the NEIGHBORHOOD

THE GOOD SAMARITAN



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“THE DOER”

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IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

THERE ARE THOSE WHO Do

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- God is ALWAYS working! Sometimes we just need to keep our "antennae up", to be looking for it. Go around your group and share your God Moments of how you have seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week.
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Review (optional)

Use this section only if you want to review for those who were not in the Point

- Have someone explain the Point in their own words.*
- What object lesson or illustration was used to communicate the Point this week? How did this apply to the Point?*
- Have someone read or summarize the main Bible passage/story from the Point (see "The References" section).
- How did this Bible passage teach the Point?*

**someone who was in the Point may need to explain this*

The Reenergizer (optional)

Use this question if you need to get your group talking

- Which is worse: *Seeing* a problem but not being *able* to do anything OR finding out that there was a problem that *you could've helped*?

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- We have finally gotten to the true hero of our story: the Samaritan! Unlike “the pretenders”, the Samaritan actually did something about the broken Jewish traveler. Read and discuss what a *Doer* looks like:
 - *Doers Feel Emotion* Luke 10:33b (see James 2:14-16a)
 - Why are emotions important to being a *doer*?
 - What emotions can drive us to do (in a good way)?
 - *Doers Go in Motion* Luke 10:34a (see James 2:16b-17)
 - What about this is different from “the pretenders” last week?
 - What is *your* first, gut reaction when you see/hear of a need?
 - *Doers Take Action* Luke 10:34b (see Matthew 25:31-46)
 - What did the Samaritan do? List them all.
 - Why do you think this step tends to be the hardest for people?
 - *Doers Make a Donation* Luke 10:34c-35 (see 1 John 3:16-18)
 - *Donation* is probably not a strong enough word here. What did the Samaritan give up for the sake of the “enemy” Jewish man?
- **Read Luke 10:36-37.** Now that we’ve met all of the characters in this series, let’s take a personal look into “Which Neighbor Are You?” Share ONE WAY that YOU have been like EACH of these:
 - *The Excuser*: Making Excuses for Not Serving Others Luke 10:29
 - *The Broken*: People who are Broken and Hurting Luke 10:30
 - *The Pretenders*: Pretending to Be Good Luke 10:31-32
 - *The Doer*: Actually Doing by Meeting Needs Luke 10:33-34
- Finally, which one is most where you are right now? How can we pray for, or serve, you?

The References

Main Passage: **Luke 10:25-37 (NLT)** *selected verses, read full passage in Bible

...Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, 'Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here.'

James 2:14-17 (NLT)

What good is it, dear brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but don't show it by your actions? Can that kind of faith save anyone? Suppose you see a brother or sister who has no food or clothing, and you say, "Good-bye and have a good day; stay warm and eat well"—but then you don't give that person any food or clothing. What good does that do? So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.

Matthew 25:31-46 (NLT) *selected verses, read full passage in Bible

..."Then these righteous ones will reply, 'Lord, when did we ever see you hungry and feed you? Or thirsty and give you something to drink? Or a stranger and show you hospitality? Or naked and give you clothing? When did we ever see you sick or in prison and visit you?' "And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth, when you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me!' ...

1 John 3:16-18 (NIV)

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.