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Who Is My Neighbor

²⁵ One day an expert in religious law stood up to test Jesus by asking him this question: “Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ Jesus replied, “What does the law of Moses say? How do you read it?” ²⁷ The man answered, “‘You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.’ And, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’” ²⁸ “Right!” Jesus told him. “Do this and you will live!” ²⁹ The man wanted to justify his actions, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

Luke 10:25-29 (NLT2)

- The story of the Good Samaritan is really a story about _____.

²⁸ “Right!” Jesus told him. “Do this and you will live!”

Luke 10:28 (NLT2)

- Love _____

“‘You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.’”

Luke 10:27a (NLT2)

- Love _____

‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’” **Luke 10:27b (NLT2)**

³⁴ I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

John 13:34-35 (NRSV)

- The _____ commandment of Love
- Love should be the _____
_____ of all Christians

⁷ ... Therefore, be earnest and disciplined in your prayers. ⁸ Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins. **1 Peter 4:7-8 (NLT2)**

- Love _____ both the giver and the receiver

⁴³ "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' ⁴⁴ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ so that you may be children of your Father in heaven.... **Matthew 5:43-45a (NRSV)**

- Our love comes not from human _____ but from God's _____ work in us.

⁷ For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline. **2 Timothy 1:7 (NLT2)**

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Meditate on and/or memorize John 13:34-35
- Stop looking for a loophole out of loving others and seek the indwelling power of God to enable me love others.
- Be watchful for opportunities to speak love filled words which carry the redeeming power of God to heal others.
- Receive God's love gift of redemption so that I can begin this journey of transformation.