

“Help and Support”

Luke 10:25-37

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### Look Inside

1. How many times have you been the Jew or the Temple assistant and passed by someone you knew was in need? Would you handle the situation differently now?
2. Recount a time you've found help from someone or been of help to someone who may have been considered outside of your social circle. What took place in this situation?
3. How can we go the extra mile in caring for our neighbors like the Samaritan did by taking on the medical debt of the Jewish man?
4. In what ways could your life reflect the love of the Good Samaritan?

### Look Deeper

1. The Samaritan in the parable Jesus tells would have been a Jewish person's enemy. What does this tell us about who we should consider our neighbor and how we should treat them?
2. Not only does it take great mercy and love for the Samaritan to reach out to the Jew but what do you think it required of the Jew to accept help in his weakened state from the Samaritan?
3. The parable of the two men Jesus tells is not only a story but a foreshadowing. How does this tale mirror what Jesus did on the cross for us?



4. How does this passage emphasize the importance of a balance between knowledge of the law and a focus on love and grace?

### Look Ahead

1. Challenge yourself to go out of the way to help someone this week, someone you may not even know. Go the extra mile.

2. How can you live a life that reflects the law of Moses which tells us to love our neighbors as ourselves and to love God with all our hearts?

3. How can you encourage others this week to live with love that goes the extra mile for others?

4. Consider one person in your life that could use a little help or encouragement, be challenged to go to them and be the Good Samaritan to them.

### Prayer

1. Pray for a heart that overflows with a desire to love and serve others.

2. Consider one person in your life that could use a little help or encouragement this week and pray for them.

3. Pray for your church leadership, that their eyes would remain fixed on the command to love and serve, that the desire to affect the community around us with the love of Christ would continue to grow.