

# Connection Group Homework

For the week of June 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

Luke 10:25-37

## Getting Started:

1. If you could move anywhere in the world (and take everyone you love with you), where would you move and why?

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## The Message:

2. What insight, principle or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening or troubling? Explain.

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3. How did Pastor Tim explain the focus of this story and the contrast between "Who is my neighbor?" and "What does it mean to be a neighbor?"

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4. When Jesus told this story to the Jewish law expert, he chose to make the "hero" of the story a Samaritan, and the person in need of help, a Jew. Given that Jews and Samaritans were bitter enemies, why did Jesus do that?

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5. Reread Luke 10:34-35 – did helping the beaten man cost the Samaritan anything? Why is this significant?

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**My Life:**

6. Luke 10:29 says that the law expert who asked Jesus the question “wanted to justify himself” – the lawyer had asked a question, but what he really wanted was confirmation that his own answer was the “right” one. Do you ever ask questions really just wanting confirmation of your beliefs rather than actual answers? Do you think that is the best way to approach questions with people you may disagree with?

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7. The challenge here is that we are called to invest in the well-being of those around us, and investing always costs us something. What prevents you from investing in your neighbors or those you work with? In light of this story, are those good reasons or just excuses?

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8. When is it right to intervene in a conflict you see taking place? Have you ever done that and been glad you did? Have you ever walked away without doing anything and later regretted it?

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9. Luke 10:37 says “Go and do likewise.” Are there changes you need to make in the way you invest in those around you?

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