

Review:

**Lesson 1:** Joyful & Teachable

**Lesson 2:** Spiritual Foundations

**Lesson 3:** The Audience of Parables

## What Love Looks Like

Luke 10:25-37

*If I claim to know God and can wax eloquently about God's Word, but do not actually DO God's Word, how well do I really know God? How much \_\_\_\_\_ have I really established?*

**Discussion 1.** What is the danger of being a church who knows God's Word but doesn't DO God's Word? What is the danger of being a church who DOES lots of good things, but doesn't really focus much on LEARNING God's Word? Do you think it is possible for a church to do both (LEARN God's Word and DO God's Word)?

*Learning to see the spiritually broken people in our community with \_\_\_\_\_ rather than with disdain or disgust, i.e., changing the metaphor from cultural warfare to spiritual welfare, is all a part of being doers of God's Word.*

**Discussion 2.** For you, what is a possible next step in changing the metaphor from cultural warfare to spiritual welfare? What obstacle(s) must you overcome in order to make this switch?

*The love to which we as Christ followers are called is purposefully aimed at breaking down the barriers our worldly identities set up between us. Christian love, when we get it right, makes \_\_\_\_\_ at all to the unbelieving world.*

**Discussion 3.** In order for you to love well, what are some worldly identities or barriers you must break down? Are there groups of people (or "tribes") which you think our community or country would be better without? What does love look like for you where they are concerned?

*The identifying characteristic which sets apart Jesus' genuine followers from the rest of the world is not wisdom, nor right theology, nor moral righteousness, nor social power; it is \_\_\_\_\_.*

**Discussion 4.** Do you think your Christianity is known by your family and neighbors and coworkers because of how you love? Why or why not?

**Discussion 5.** How does this lesson cause you to pray? How does it prepare your heart for worship?