



## SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

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### GOSPEL PROXIMITY - A CALL FOR GOOD NEIGHBORS

LUKE 10:25-37

AUGUST 2, 2015

### TAKEAWAYS

*Write out your one-sentence takeaways. Consider writing these on a notecard and putting it on your mirror, desk, or car dashboard.*

What to remember:

What to put off/put on:

What to share with someone:

### NEXT STEPS

*Here are some next steps to walk in this truth this week. Don't feel constrained to these but feel free to use them.*

- Take one step this week in building a relationship with someone in your life (grab coffee, invite them to your house, go to a local event, invite to church, etc.).
- If you haven't signed up for a LIVE group—starting next Sunday—do so online at [yourchurch.com/live](http://yourchurch.com/live)
- Host an international student at UIndy to dinner through the FISH ministry. Find out more at [yourchurch.com/globaloutreach](http://yourchurch.com/globaloutreach)

### FOR FURTHER STUDY

*For those wanting to study some of the key ideas in more detail here are some cross-references and resources.*

- **Open door:** Acts 14:27; 1 Cor. 16:8-9; 2 Cor. 2:12; Rev. 3:8.
- **Prayer and evangelism:** Matt. 9:37-38; Acts 4:29; 26:18; Rom. 10:1; 2 Thess. 3:1.
- For **resources on evangelism**, read *Saturate* by Jeff Vanderstelt, *The Gospel* by Ray Ortlund, *The Gospel and Personal Evangelism* by Mark Dever, *The Art of Neighboring* by Jay Pathak and Dave Runyon, or *Bringing the Gospel Home* by Randy Newman.

## APPLICATION & DISCUSSION

*These questions focus on the sermon text and message. We've highlighted key ones but use however many your group needs.*

1. Who was a person or people that shared the gospel with you?
2. How would you describe your current relationship with your neighbors, classmates, coworkers, or people you regularly see recreationally (at the gym, park, etc.)? What's worked well for building those relationships and what's been a challenge?
3. **Read Luke 10:25-37 as a group. From verses 30-37, what words stand out to you about the way the different people acted?**
4. What are some reasons we "pass to the other side" rather than go towards people God places in our life? What would cause you to take steps towards a person?
5. **How do you think this passage might picture Christ's love, sacrifice, grace, and provision for us? After discussing that question, how does seeing the parable in this way cultivate mercy and grace in us?**
6. **What were some of the costs and risks of the Samaritan getting involved in helping the man in need? What might be some of challenges, risks, and costs of getting involved in people's lives?**
7. **How can this group pray together for those needing Christ? What might be some ways this group might live on mission together?**

## HOW TO PRAY

*Pray over the praises and requests of those around you but here are some additional ways to pray into our passage this week.*

- Thank God for the ways you've tasted His grace and kindness.
- Praise God for his mercy and compassion to you.
- Pray for specific lost people in your life.
- Pray for open doors in your neighborhood, workplace, and family to build relationships and share the gospel.
- Ask God to continue raising up people who can live as disciples on mission, both locally and globally.
- Pray for College Park Fishers as they launch into a new community to see people come to know Christ. Pray for College Park North Indy as they seek to reach out throughout the community they're in.