**Series: StoryTeller**

**Today: Like a Good Neighbor**

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1. **A Parable Is an Earthly Story With A Heavy Meaning.**

***Luke 10:25-37***

*25On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”*

*26“What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”*

*27He answered, “‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”*

*28“You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”*

*29But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”*

*30In reply Jesus said: “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead.*

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 *31A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side.*

 *32So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.*

*33But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. 34He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine.*

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*Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him.*

*35The next day he took out two denariiand gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’*

*36“Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?”*

*37The expert in the law replied, “The one who had mercy on him.” Jesus told him, “Go and do likewise.”*

**2. Three Questions from this Parable**

A. Who are you?

B. Who is your neighbor?

C. Who is Jesus?