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Real Disciples, Real Transformation, Authentic Followers of Jesus

Life Shaped by the Gospel

Luke 10:25-37

Doing - Performance Based Life

Luke 10:25-29

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?" He 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.'" "You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live." But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

- Expert in the Law
- What must I do to inherit eternal life?
 - What Standard of Performance must I achieve to have eternal life
 - Do enough good to outweigh the bad
- Love God and Your Neighbor
- Do this and you will live

Galatians 5:3-4

And I testify again to every man who has himself circumcised, that he is obligated to keep the whole Law. You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by the Law; you have fallen from grace.

- The Burden of the law - knowing that you're not living up to the standard
- Justify Himself - propping up the strawman
- Who is my neighbor?

What a Life Shaped by the Gospel Looks Like

Luke 10:30-37

In 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. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii and 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.' "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

- The Priest
- The Levite
- The Samaritan
- A neighbor has Personal Engagement
 - he saw the man
 - he took pity
 - he bandaged his wounds

- he put him on his donkey
- he paid for his care
- he took time to care
- he came back and checked on him
- he was a neighbor with NO strings attached
- He didn't reach down he reached across
- Jesus question - who was a neighbor - not who kept the law

How Do I Become a Neighbor that Crosses the Street and Becomes Engaged in the Needs of Others?

By Having My Life Shaped By the Gospel

The Gospel - Good News

Justified By God Through Christ

Romans 3:21-25

But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith

Continue to Allow the Word to Shape Me

John 8:31-32 NIV

To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Angie's Testimony

Respond to Jesus' Call

Matthew 11:28-29

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.