

**Title:** Won't you be my neighbor?

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

**Target:** You won't be able to love God fully, if you don't see yourself correctly, and if you don't see yourself correctly, you won't be in relationships from a place of healthiness.

- I. **Savior's-Love:** *"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends"* (John 15:13)
  - A. **Sees our Condition:** *"When He saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless..."* (Matthew 9:36)
  - B. **Heals our Wounds:** *"by His wounds (stripes) we are healed"* (Isaiah 53:5)
  - C. **Carries us in our Weakness:** *"Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows"* (Isaiah 53:4)
  - D. **Pays the Full Price:** *"You were bought with a price"* (1 Corinthians 6:20) *"It is finished"* (John 19:30)
- II. **Sacrificial-Love:** *"And Jesus said to him, 'You go and do likewise'."* (Luke 10:37)
  - A. **Eyes to See:** *"Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others"* (Phillipians 2:4)
  - B. **Scars Bring Healing:** *"so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God"* (2 Corinthians 1:5)
  - C. **Lighten the Load:** *"Bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."* (Galatians 6:2)
  - D. **Grace Inspires Generosity:** *Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.* (Hebrews 13:16)
- III. **Self-Love:** *"And he answered, 'You shall 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 your neighbor as yourself'."* (Luke 10:27)
  - A. **Know Your Worth in Christ:** *"he saw him"* (Luke 10:32)
  - B. **See Yourself with Compassion:** *"he had compassion"* (Luke 10:33)
  - C. **Address Your Emotional and Spiritual Wounds:** *"bound up his wounds, pouring oil and wine"* (Luke 10:34)
  - D. **Support Yourself with the Right People:** *"set him on his own animal"* (Luke 10:34)
  - E. **Invest in Your Well-Being:** *"brought him to an inn and took care of him"* (Luke 10:35)

**Takeaway:** Unhealthy self-love seeks validation, control, and pleasure at the expense of others, leading to pride, emptiness, and broken relationships. But godly self-love embraces grace, healing, and stewardship, allowing us to love others from a place of wholeness rather than neediness.