

John 3:16, Lk 10:30-37
"Message of Jesus"

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1. Introduction
 - a. Many different sign languages
 - b. But Jesus teaching understood in every language
 - c. John Olson missionary to the Deaf.
 - d. Jesus' parable of Good Samaritan
 - e. Story of Jewish people and one Samaritan
 - Jews & Samaritans hated each other & avoided each other
 - f. Road between Jerusalem & Jericho goes down very steep
 - Jerusalem 3400 feet higher than Jericho
 - Road on side of very steep cliff - narrow & winding
 - place of many road robbers
 - g. Has anyone stolen everything you have? terrible experience
2. Traveler on road
 - a. Man on road going down to Jericho
 - context of story - Jewish person
 - b. Thieves beat him and stole everything he had
 - thieves left him half dead
3. Several people passed injured man
 - a. Levite: religious teacher of God's Word
 - Levite came over to look at him - from a distance
 - Levite walked by on other side of road

- b. Priest: offered up sacrifices in Jewish temple
 - priest followed certain religious laws to work in temple
 - priest glanced at him & passed by him on other side of road
- c. Both of his own people passed him without coming near him
- d. Hated Samaritan
 - Samaritan saw him & stopped
 - Samaritan had compassion (sympathy) for fellow human
 - * compassion caused Samaritan to act
 - Samaritan came over to injured man to help him

4. Samaritan acted

- a. In Samaritan's compassion, he did not see hated Jew
 - Samaritan saw injured man
- b. Samaritan gave injured man First Aid, & bandaged up his wounds
- c. Samaritan put injured man on his donkey (transportation)
- d. Samaritan takes injured man to motel (inn) to heal
 - * takes time for body to heal
- e. Samaritan pays for motel bill
- f. Samaritan will continue to pay for motel until man heals

5. Conclusion

- a. Lawyer asked question, "Who is my neighbor?"
- b. Jesus answered, "Which one was neighbor?"
- c. Two different men asking questions
- d. Next Jesus tells gospel to Nicodemus

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1. Introduction to Jesus teaching (3)
- a. Nicodemus comes to see Jesus at night (3:1-13)
 - why at night? he doesn't want others to know
 - what motivation?
 - * Nicodemus was Jewish religious leader
 - * Sanhedran (council of religious leaders) did not like Jesus
 - b. Nicodemus had great interest in Jesus miracles
 - Nicodemus concluded that Jesus must be man from God
 - Nicodemus told Jesus his great conclusion
 - Jesus shocked Nicodemus with "Unless you're born again, [you] cannot see the Kingdom of God."
 - c. Jesus used words "born again" several times in His conversation
 - verse 3: unless born again
 - verse 5: born of water & the Spirit
 - verse 7: born again? don't be surprised
 - verse 8: born of the Spirit
 - verse 10: you teacher? you don't know these things?
 - d. Jesus shares what He knows
 - verse 11: We know, we speak, we testify, we have seen, our witness...
 - e. Who is this witness?
 - verse 13 ascended (go up) into heaven?
 - Son of Man in heaven
 - Son of Man came down from heaven
 - telling heavenly things

1f. Jesus tells Nicodemus heavenly things

- verses 14-21 (context)

2. Heavenly Things on Earth (3:14-15)

a. Picture: Moses lifted up the serpent

- Moses put metal snake on a pole in the desert

- Many people got sick from snake bites

- God's instruction? Look at metal snake to live (and not die)

- person had to believe God & look at snake

b. Picture of faith to look at something lifted up high

- Son of Man must be lifted up

- person must believe on the Son of Man

- believing person will receive eternal life

3. God's Action (3:16)

a. God loves everyone in the world

b. God gave His only begotten Son

- Son of Man - Jesus

- Son of God - Jesus

c. Anyone can believe in Jesus

d. Believer will have everlasting life

e. God gave His gift to the world - Jesus (son of Man, son of God)

f. God gave His gift to believers: everlasting life

4. Man's (people's) Action (3:17-21)

a. Believers: not condemned, does the truth coming to the light

b. No actions: condemned already, loved darkness because evil actions

* did not believe in the name of the only begotten Son of God