**The Unfading Mark of Love**

Luke 10:25-37

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He said to him, “What is written in the Law? How do you read it?”

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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.”

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And He said to him, “You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.”

1. **The Question Contemplated**

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And behold, a lawyer stood up to put Him to the test, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”

**John 10:28 (ESV)**
I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of My hand.

1. **The Answer Stated**

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**Matthew 22:37 (ESV)**
And He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

**Matthew 22:38 (ESV)**
This is the great and first commandment.

**Matthew 22:39 (ESV)**
And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

**Matthew 22:40 (ESV)**
On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

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1. **The Issue Debated**

**Luke 10:29 (ESV)**
But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

1. **The Truth Illustrated**

**Luke 10:30 (ESV)**
Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead.

**Luke 10:31 (ESV)**
Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side.

**Luke 10:32 (ESV)**
So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

**Luke 10:33 (ESV)**
But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion.

**Luke 10:34 (ESV)**
He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him.

**Luke 10:35 (ESV)**
And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, ‘Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.’ ”

**Luke 10:36 (ESV)**
Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?

**Luke 10:37a (ESV)**
He said, “The one who showed him mercy.”

1. **The Love Mandated**

**Luke 10:37b (ESV)**
And Jesus said to him, “You go, and do likewise.”