



JESUS LOVES OUTSIDERS

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Jesus & the Samaritans (Luke 10:25-37) - Jesus Loves Outsiders #4

Speaking Pastor: Chris Feters

Origin of the Samaritans – 2 Kings 17

Knowing Jesus means understanding the heart of the Law

And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?” Luke 10:25 NKJV

He said to him, “What is written in the law? What is your reading *of it*?” Luke 10:26 NKJV

So he answered and said, “‘You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,’ and ‘your neighbor as yourself.’” Luke 10:27 NKJV

And He said to him, “You have answered rightly; do this and you will live.” Luke 10:28 NKJV

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.”
Deuteronomy 6:5 NKJV

You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD. Leviticus 19:18 NKJV

Knowing Jesus redefines who is our neighbor

But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Luke 10:29 NKJV

Then Jesus answered and said: “A certain *man* went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded *him*, and departed, leaving *him* half dead. Luke 10:30 NKJV

Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Luke 10:31 NKJV

Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. Luke 10:32 NKJV

But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. Luke 10:33 NKJV

So he went to *him* and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. Luke 10:34 NKJV

On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave *them* to the innkeeper, and said to him, ‘Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.’ Luke 10:35 NKJV

So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?” Luke 10:36 NKJV

Knowing Jesus leads to costly compassion

And he said, “He who showed mercy on him”. “Then Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.” Luke 10:37 NKJV

He has shown you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justly, To love mercy, And to walk humbly with your God? Micah 6:8 NKJV

Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Philippians 2:3 NKJV

Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. Philippians 2:4 NKJV

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus. Philippians 2:5 NKJV

Jesus & the Lost (Luke 15:1-32) – Jesus Loved Outsiders #5
Speaking Pastor: Kent Liles

Knowing Jesus

Jesus loves lost outsiders

“What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? Luke 15:4 NKJV

And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing.”
Luke 15:5 NKJV

And when he comes home, he calls together *his* friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!’ Luke 15:6 NKJV

I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance. Luke 15:7 NKJV

“Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it?” Luke 15:8 NKJV

And when she has found *it*, she calls *her* friends and neighbors together, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I lost!’ Luke 15:9 NKJV

Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.” Luke 15:10 NKJV

But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us **while we were still sinners**.
Romans 5:8 NLT

Jesus loves lost insiders

Then He said: “A certain man had two sons. Luke 15:11 NKJV

And the younger of them said to *his* father, 'Father, give me the portion of goods that falls to *me*.' So he divided to them *his* livelihood. Luke 15:12 NKJV

"Sin will take you farther than you wanted to go, keep you longer than you wanted to stay, and cost you more than you wanted to pay." Adrian Rogers

And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. Luke 15:20 NKJV

And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.' Luke 15:21 NKJV

But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best robe and put *it* on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on *his* feet. Luke 15:22 NKJV

And bring the fatted calf here and kill *it*, and let us eat and be merry; Luke 15:23 NKJV

for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' And they began to be merry. Luke 15:24 NKJV

But he was angry and would not go in. Therefore, his father came out and pleaded with him. Luke 15:28 NKJV

So he answered and said to *his* father, 'Lo, these many years I have been serving you; I never transgressed your commandment at any time; and yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might make merry with my friends. Luke 15:29 NKJV

But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!' Luke 15:30 NKJV

And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that I have is yours. Luke 15:31 NKJV

It was right that we should make merry and be glad, for your brother was dead and is alive again, and was lost and is found.' Luke 15:32 NKJV

Jesus and Tax Collectors (Luke 19:1-10) - Jesus Loved Outsiders #5

Speaking Pastor: Brian Gann

People all around you are looking for Jesus

Then *Jesus* entered and passed through Jericho. Luke 19:1 NKJV

Now behold, *there was* a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. Luke 19:2 NKJV

And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. Luke 19:3 NKJV

So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that *way*. Luke 19:4 NKJV

Jesus is calling people to abide with Him

And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, “Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house.” Luke 19:5 NKJV

So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. Luke 19:6 NKJV

But when they saw *it*, they all complained, saying, “He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner.” Luke 19:7 NKJV

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. John 15:4 NKJV

If anyone does not abide in Me, he is cast out as a branch and is withered; and they gather them and throw *them* into the fire, and they are burned. John 15:6 NKJV

Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me. Revelation 3:20 NKJV

True righteousness only comes through Jesus

Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold.” Luke 19:8 NKJV

And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; Luke 19:9 NKJV

for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.” Luke 19:10 NKJV

This Week’s Gospel of Luke Reading Plan:

September 13 – Luke 12 + Luke 12:4-21

September 14 – Prayer & Reflection

September 15 – Luke 13 + Luke 12:4-21

September 16 – Luke 14 + Luke 12:4-21

September 17 – Luke 15 + Luke 12:4-21

September 18 – Luke 16 + Luke 12:4-21

September 19 – Luke 17 + Luke 12:4-21

September 13

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In this series, we learn about the creation of the world, and how God created it!

Memory Verse: "God made the world." Genesis 1:1 (Adapted for Toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: God Made The Plants



Memory Verse: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding." -Proverbs 3:5

Heart of the Lesson: God Helps Joseph Interpret Dreams | Genesis 39-41

Parent Connect: Play a game to explore emotions. Take turns acting out an emotion. Discuss how Joseph felt throughout each of this month's stories.



Just like silent films are a special type of movie, so the "parables" were a unique type of story Jesus told. Like a silent film needs some captions to explain the picture, so Jesus had to explain his parables to his disciples. In this series we will look at four of them found in Luke.

Memory Verse: In the same way, there is joy in the presence of God's angels when even one sinner repents. Luke 15:10

Heart of the Lesson: **Our Hearts Should Be "Good Soil" | Luke 8:1-14**

Parent Connect:

- Read: Luke 19:1–10
- Talk: Jesus cared even for people others didn't like. How can we show love to everyone, even those who are different from us?
- Do: Think of someone you normally wouldn't talk to and pray for them. Brainstorm ideas together for how you could connect with them.



This month our series is called No One Left Out. Chances are we've all felt left out or alone at one point. In this series we are going to look at seven groups of people that were either outcast, powerless or felt left out in Bible times. As we look through the book of Luke, we will see how Jesus viewed Gentiles, Widows, Women, the Poor, Samaritans, the Lost and Tax Collectors and let that lead how we view those so that no one is left out from His kingdom.

Memory Verse: **"Luke 15:7 In the same way there is more joy in heaven over one lost sinner who repents and returns to God over ninety-nine others who are righteous and haven't strayed away!"**

Heart of the Lesson: Jesus Gives Everyone a New Beginning: Luke 19:1-10

Parent Connect: This week we met Zaccheus who was a tax collector. Tax collectors were looked down on because of how they treated others. They were often seen as bullies. Jesus gave Zaccheus a chance for a fresh start. This is a great opportunity to share with your student a time you were given a fresh start and encourage them to share a time when they were given a fresh start or an opportunity to start over. At the end of your conversation, pray with your student.