

Lenten Bible Study – March 24, 2021

Luke 10:25-28

**Questions: How do we want to connect with God differently as we move forward?
How will we connect differently with our neighbor?**

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” ²⁶ He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” ²⁷ 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.” ²⁸ And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

Lent: Yearly “reset” – time to take an honest look at several things in our lives:

Love God...

- Shows us our need for Jesus – *Certainly, if we are redeemed by the blood of Christ, we do love God. As we grow and mature in the faith, our love increases and we obey Him out of love more and more. Although we will never reach the point of loving Him with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, our desire to love Him more completely increases as we witness His compassion, mercy, grace, and love for us. In addition, coming to know more about His hatred for sin, His holiness, and His righteousness makes us more eager to obey Him and to live our lives in such a way as to honor and not to displease Him.* (www.compellingtruth.org)
- How has your relationship with God changed during Lent?

Love Neighbor...

- We can go two ways
- Do we love ourselves – do we take care of ourselves?
- Do we look outward to the needs of others?
- We are called to help carry the things others struggle to carry for themselves.

To Ponder This Week:

- What has changed in your relationship with God this Lent?
- How do you think differently toward your neighbor?