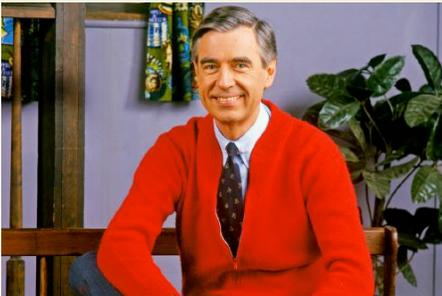


Be A Compassionate Neighbor

DO NOT ASK THE QUESTION, "WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?" ANSWER THE QUESTION, "WHOSE NEIGHBOR AM I?"



Focus: to remind us that we are to be good neighbors to ALL out of a heart of compassion.

Conversation starter: What are some stories that you were told growing up that had a moral?

Read Luke 10:25-28

From Jesus' example, what do you learn about responding to people's questions about salvation? What does he point the lawyer to and why? [Good opportunity to discuss our ultimate source of authority...the Bible]

Read Luke 10:29-37

What intrigues you about the lawyer's follow up question? What is his motivation & what significance does that have? How do you try to "justify yourself?"

In the parable, what stands out to you? What was different about the Samaritan (make sure they address actions & attitude)?

List out the 6-7 specific things the Samaritan did for the injured man. Is it possible to be truly compassionate towards someone in need and not help them? Why did you answer that way? Reconcile your answer with this passage and James 2:14-17?

What command does Jesus give (v. 28, 37)? What promise does he offer (v. 28)? How will you follow this command? How does this promise motivate you?

How should this passage effect our evangelism? How will this teaching impact your evangelism (be specific)?