

BETHEL SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Isaiah 55:10–11; Luke 10:25–37 – 04/28/24

STOP AND PRAY

Holy Spirit, open my heart and my mind to Your truth today! Then help me to be a Doer of the Word and not a Hearer only!

- 1) Why is it so easy for us to hear or read the word of God, but so much harder to live it out?

Read Isaiah 55:10-11

- 2) What does it mean that the words from God's mouth will not return empty? How can this still be true when we are not seeing the response to God's word that we want from those hearing it?

Read Luke 10:25–29

- 3) What does the expert of the law come and ask Jesus? Why does he come and ask Jesus?

- 4) What are some ways that we come to the Bible to justify ourselves, rather than be shaped by the Bible?

Read Luke 10:30–35

- 5) What was significant about the status of the priest and the Levite? How did the Jewish hearers see the Samaritan people at this time?

- 6) How long did the Samaritan look after the man? How should this influence how we help those in need?

Read Luke 10:36–37

- 7) According to the story, who was truly a loving neighbour to the man in need?

- 8) What does this story mean for us today? Who are the people that we often don't think of as "our neighbours" that might really need our help, and the hope of the Gospel?

- 9) What are some practical ways that we can look for those that we would often cast aside, and show them the love of Christ, even this week?

Take time to pray for each other.

Use this prayer as the theme of your prayer time: "*Father in Heaven, thank you for the gift of your word! Thank you that you give us so many ways to understand your word. Help me to submit my thoughts and my ways to yours that I might love my neighbour well. Guide me by your word and lead me in the paths of life!*"