"The Parable of the Good Samaritan"

Luke 10:25-37; Luke 9:51-56; Luke 10:25; Luke 10:26; Deuteronomy 6:5; Leviticus 19:18; Luke 10:28; Luke 10:29; Luke 10:30-35; Luke 10:36-37; 2 Timothy 1:16-17; Luke 10:33; Hosea 6:6; Matthew 12:1-8; Matthew 12:7; Romans 1:14

1. This parable shows how Jesus desired to have <u>love</u> and <u>affection</u> shown to those who are <u>neglected</u>.

2. <u>Samaritans</u> were unpopular with everyone and hated most by the <u>Jews</u>; this hostility went back over <u>800</u> years!

3. The journey from <u>Jerusalem</u> to <u>Jericho</u> was around 20 miles over steep, dangerous terrain, 2,500 feet above sea level.

4. <u>Priests</u> were responsible for worship and sacrifices at the temple and the <u>Levites</u> assisted the priests in all the temple duties.

5. God may use people we don't like to help us.

6. In this parable Jesus gave a lesson in practical <u>goodness</u> that we all need to hear.

7. In this parable the "good Samaritan" showed <u>mercy</u> to someone who probably wouldn't show mercy to him; it cost him <u>money</u>, <u>time</u> and <u>inconvenience</u>.

8. The Priest and the Levite were looking for any <u>excuse</u> for not getting involved.

9. Sometimes we can be selective of who we want to help because of <u>prejudice</u>.

10. Humility is about being gracious, loving and kind.

Jesus is the true neighbor who came to our rescue and with that love we must rescue others!