

April 12th, 2026

Doing What Jesus Did

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Luke 10:30-37 (NIV)

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the way Jesus would if he were them.*
(Sunridge Discipleship Value)

The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-27)

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The Parable of the Sheep & Goats (Matthew 25:31-45)

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—John Wesley

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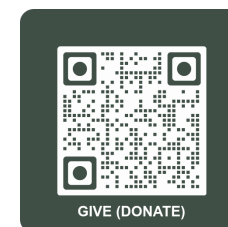
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When you read the Gospels, what kinds of people does Jesus most consistently move toward—and why do you think that matters for how we live today?

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- Showing compassion when it's inconvenient
 - Loving someone who is difficult
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2. Following Jesus will lead us to costly service.
3. Following Jesus will lead us to expand our circle.

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