



First, We Give Of Ourselves

Giving in Grace

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Luke 10:25-37 contains the well-known story of the Good Samaritan. It is in this story that Jesus provides a compelling example of “giving in grace”. The story relates the experience of a man, who on a journey, was beaten, robbed, and left beside the road. Jesus tells us that three people came upon this man and his suffering. They were a priest, a Levite, and a Samaritan. The priest and Levite saw the man but passed him by. It was the Samaritan who came to the man’s aid and did all he could to care for the man including making provisions for recuperative care.

From this experience, Jesus asks the question, “Which of these three do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” The answer given was, “The one who showed him mercy.” To this Jesus tell us, “Go and do likewise.”

Giving in grace is done in showing mercy as a thankful response to God’s own mercy for us.

What are some ways you have experienced God’s grace and mercy this week?

In what ways have you been a grace-full neighbor this week?