



LET'S GO DEEPER

The Other side of the Road – August 11th – Pastor Peter

LUKE 10:30-37

“Jesus replied with a story: “A Jewish man was traveling from Jerusalem down to Jericho, and he was attacked by bandits. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him up, and left him half dead beside the road. “By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by. ³² A Temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side. “Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. ³⁴ Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins,^[b] telling him, ‘Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I’ll pay you the next time I’m here. “Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?” Jesus asked. The man replied, “The one who showed him mercy.” Then Jesus said, “Yes, now go and do the same.”

1. The Bigger Picture

Here’s the bigger picture from the story of the Good Samaritan. There are powerful symbols at play.

It’s about all of us. And it’s a story about the One who helps us.

We’re the ones who are broken. We’re the ones who are hurt.

But then the greatest Good Samaritan comes. But then Jesus comes.

He comes to pick us up. He comes to turn us around.

Jesus comes to the other side of the road and He sets us free.

John 8:36 “So if the Son sets you free, you are truly free.”

Right after Jesus is baptized, the heavens open, the Spirit comes down like a dove.

QUESTIONS:

1. With whom can you identify in the parable of the Good Samaritan?

2. Why do you think Satan tried to trick Jesus using truth in scripture?

3. Who is the Good Samaritan in your life?
