

When the heart is tested

25One day an expert in religious law stood up to test Jesus by asking him this question: "Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?" 26Jesus replied, "What does the law of Moses say? How do you read it?" 27The man answered, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.' And, 'Love your neighbor as yourself."

28"Right!" Jesus told him. "Do this and you will live!" 29The man wanted to justify his actions, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" 30Jesus 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.

31"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. 32A Temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side. 33"Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. 34Going 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. 35The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, 'Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here.'

36"Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?" Jesus asked. 37The man replied, "The one who showed him mercy." Then Jesus said, "Yes, now go and do the same."

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Col 3:10

Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him.

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### Ezekiel 36:26

And <u>I will</u> give you a new heart, and a new spirit <u>I will</u> put within you. And <u>I will</u> remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

Titus 3:5

he saved us, according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, A mile in the shoes of the good Samaritan

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