What Does God Expect of Us? Luke 10:25-37

I. The Setting of the Parable

- A. There was deep hatred between the Jews and the Samaritans (Luke 9:52-54; John 4:9; 8:48).
- B.. There was a growing antagonism between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders (Luke 5:30; 7:39).

II. The Main Point of the Parable

- A. Jesus presents this parable as the "challenge parable".
- B. The Gospel of the Kingdom is intended not only to change one's eternal destiny, but to change lives (Ephesians 2:8-10).

III. The Lessons of the Parable

- A. People who believe that doing good works is the way to earn eternal life stand condemned by their own religion (Galatians 3:10-12).
- B. Love goes beyond anything society or religious tradition expects and acts simply because of the need of another.