

## MESSAGE NOTES

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# The Face of Love

## Part 5

### See, Feel, Act

Definition of love:

Seeing, feeling, and acting towards others the way Jesus does.

**See      Feel      Act**

**Luke 10:25-37 (NIV)** *On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"*

<sup>26</sup>*"What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?"*

<sup>27</sup>*He answered: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind<sup>d</sup>; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.<sup>1</sup>"*

<sup>28</sup>*"You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live."*

<sup>29</sup>*But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"*

<sup>30</sup>*In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell into the hands of robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup>So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'*

<sup>36</sup>*"Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?"*

<sup>37</sup>*The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."*

## SERVING CONNECTIONS FAIR

On **Sunday, October 25**, SHCC will be holding a Serving Connections Fair to help connect you with other members of our church family who are currently serving in the community and abroad. Below is a brief list of the organizations that will be present during the fair:

**Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)** provides an opportunity to play an important role in helping to safeguard/prepare for/respond to major emergencies in our community. Volunteers receive training in basic emergency preparedness, response capabilities, first aid, fire suppression and search and rescue procedures. Volunteer opportunities include: helping before, during and after a disaster, disaster preparedness, volunteer management, and damage assessment.

**Meals on Wheels and More (MOWAM)** seeks to nourish and enrich the lives of the homebound and other people in need through programs that promote dignity and independent living. In addition to preparing an average of 870,000 meals a year, MOWAM also offers eight other programs designed to keep people healthy and living in their own homes. MOWAM has expanded to become a multi-service organization of volunteers serving almost elderly and disabled persons each day.

**Mobile Loaves & Fishes (MLF)** is a social outreach ministry for the homeless and indigent working poor in Austin. The mission of MLF is to provide food, clothing, and dignity to our brothers and sisters in need. We accomplish this mission through volunteers and the use of 12 catering trucks that go out onto the city streets of Austin and other major cities every night of the week to provide for needs.

**Won by One to Jamaica** is a ministry whose goal is to steward and share God's grace and unconditional love. Approximately 25 weeks of teams (700 volunteers) serve in Harmons, Jamaica throughout the year to build about 50 houses. Teams do more than just build houses-they live, eat, work, sleep and worship with the community they have come to serve. The theme is changed lives – changed in those served, but also in those serving.

**Amnesty International** protects people wherever justice, freedom, truth and dignity are denied. Amnesty investigates and exposes abuses, educate and mobilize the public, and help transform societies to create a safer, more just world. Their vision is of a world in which every person - regardless of race, religion, gender, or ethnicity - enjoys all of the human rights enshrined in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other international human rights standards. Amnesty operates independent from government, corporate or national interests, standing up for humanity and human rights.

**Burke Foundation** is a non-profit corporation that provides substitute care and therapeutic treatment for children who are dependent, neglected, abused, emotionally disturbed, and/or learning disabled. The foundation operates in conjunction with Pathfinders Camp, located in Driftwood, Texas. It is licensed by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services as a Therapeutic Camp for boys, ages 11 to 17. The program is designed to provide services for boys lacking skills necessary for successful community living.

**Mission Possible Austin (MPA)** has programs to serve the homeless and at-risk children & their families. A major focus of MPA includes "Church Under the Bridge", which is a combined effort of churches from all over the Austin area serving the homeless. Volunteers at CUB tangibly demonstrate the love of God to the people living on our streets through the provision of hot meals, clothing, blankets and sleeping bags. Volunteers meet every Sunday morning at 7th Street and IH-35 across from the police station.