



**On Fire for Your Neighborhood (Luke 10:25-37)
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Then I said, "I will not make mention of Him, Nor speak anymore in His name." But His word was in my heart like a burning fire Shut up in my bones; I was weary of holding it back, And I could not.

Jeremiah 20:9

Are you on fire for your neighbors

And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" **Luke 10:25**

He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" **Luke 10:26**

So he answered and said, "'You shall love the lord your god with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,' and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" **Luke 10:27**

And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." **Luke 10:28**

But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" **Luke 10:29**

Jesus loved us like the Good Samaritan

Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. **Luke 10:30**

Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. **Luke 10:31**

Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. **Luke 10:32**

But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. **Luke 10:33**

So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. **Luke 10:34**

On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' **Luke 10:35**

So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" **Luke 10:36**

We love our neighbor by living like Jesus

And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise." **Luke 10:37**

This Week's [New Testament + Reading Plan:](#)

1. *Galatians 1*
2. *Galatians 2*
3. *Galatians 3*
4. *Galatians 4*
5. *Galatians 5*
6. *Genesis 12*
7. *Prayer & Reflection*

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In this series, we will learn the story of Abraham and Sarah, plus all of their kids, and their grandkids! God had blessed Abraham with a huge family! We will learn of how special God made families.

Memory Verse: “God made families.” Genesis 1:26a (adapted for toddlers)

Heart of the Lesson: God Made Families, and Families Help Each Other.

Parent Connect: Have your whole family work together to help your toddler build a tent out of blankets. Crawl inside and ask your toddler “whose family lived in a tent?” (Abraham and Sarah) Have them wear the beard they made and pretend to be Abraham living in his tent. If you have multiple children encourage them all to play together and remind them that “God made families and families help each other.”



In this series, we will learn how trusting in the Lord will lead us on the right path. We will see how Joseph went through many trials that God turned from bad into good!

Memory Verse: “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all ways, submit to Him and He will make your paths straight.” Proverbs 3:5-6

Heart of the Lesson: Joseph In Jail to 2nd In Command – Genesis 39-41

Parent Connect: Today we learned of Joseph going from a prisoner to a very important role in the Pharaoh’s palace. God turned Joseph’s bad circumstance into good! Talk about different situations; helping a sibling clean, pushing a friend, sharing a treat, yelling at your teacher. Let your kiddo answer if it was a bad action or good action. Finish with reminding your kid that God can turn bad things into good!



When Jesus comes to live in your heart, it changes you. His love lights a fire inside that we can’t contain. His fire is contagious. It wants to grow and burn brighter and brighter. In this series, we will discover what it looks like to be on fire for God and how we can share this powerful love in our neighborhoods to the ends of the earth.

Memory Verse: His word burns in my heart like a fire. It’s like a fire in my bones! I am worn out trying to hold it in! I can’t do it!” Jeremiah 20:9b

Heart of the Lesson: On Fire For Your Neighborhood - John 1:1-41

Parent Connect: With your kids, draw your house from the sky and the neighbors next to you and across the street. Then try to write down everything you know about them. Do you know their names? What do they like to do? If you don’t know them, make them a small gift and introduce yourself. If you do know them, invite them over for dinner.



During our You Asked For It series, we will be answering questions that YOU, the students of G56, have asked! In small groups, you will discover what the Bible says about the question, and then discuss with the whole group what you found out!

Memory Verse: “Keep on asking, and you will receive what you ask for. Keep on seeking, and you will find. Keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives. Everyone who seeks finds. And to everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Matthew 7:7-8

Heart of the Lesson: If God knows the future, why does He communicate with us or influence our decisions? Psalm 50:15, James 1:5-8, Exodus 33:11, Jeremiah 9:24, Ephesians 3:18

Parent Connect: What are some things you talk to your friends about? Journal and talk to God like you would a friend.

SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS

ON FIRE

Sharing the Good News with our neighbors, city, & world



You might hear people say they are “on fire” when they are really passionate about something. If you were literally on fire, you would respond immediately! Being figuratively “on fire” is similar. When we are “on fire” for Jesus, we respond immediately by sharing His love with others! This series, we’re looking at what it means to be “on fire” for Jesus, and what that means for our neighbors, our city, and our world!

Memory Verse: “But then your message burns in my heart. It’s like a fire deep inside my bones. I’m tired of holding it in. In fact, I can’t.” Jeremiah 20:9b (NIRV)

Heart of the Lesson: If you’re on fire for God, you’ll have compassion for your neighbors (Luke 10:30-37 & Matthew 9:36-38)

Parents/Caregivers:

- Who are your neighbors?
- What does it look like to love your neighbors this week?
- So often, loving others means letting your own plans get interrupted. Is that easy or hard for you?
- Who is someone you can share Jesus with this week?