



The Value of Helping Others



Jesus taught that our relationship with others was the essence of following Him. Not only our relationship with others but also helping those who are in need. Look at His teachings in the *Sermon on the Mount* in dealing with our relationship with others.

- Be merciful to others (Matt. 5:7).*
- Be peacemakers (Matt. 5:9).*
- Be reconciled with your brother (Matt. 5:23-24).*
- Do not do things to be seen of men (Matt 6:1-3).*
- Watch your judging (Matt 7:1-5).*
- Do to others as you would have them do to you (Matt. 7:12).*

In the parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10, Jesus also gives us a great lesson on who our brother is. Bro. Harmon Black, gospel preacher in Michigan, now deceased, penned the following:

A stranger was beaten and robbed one day
And left to die at the side of the way.
A Priest and a Levite ignored his need.
They hurried right by and left him to bleed.

He would have perished except for the fact
That a kindly soul got into the act.
The Good Samaritan showed his concern,
Doing the job...asking naught in return.

He was a "good neighbor" our Lord declared
A worthy example of one who "cared".
So the best way to serve God here on Earth
Is to show compassion for all we're worth.

The Apostle Paul echoed in his writings the words of our Lord when he wrote: "And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you" (Eph. 4:32). Also, Paul wrote that as we have opportunity we are to do good unto all men. (Gal. 6:10).

* Larry Acuff, *Bulletin Digest*

To ease another's burden, help to carry it.

News & Notes

- CONFESSION:** Dewey Moore.
- SUNDAY EVENING SINGING:** Tonight following the evening worship period. All are invited to participate.
- CARE & SHARE BEARS:** Each Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. All the ladies are invited to help with this good work.
- PANTRY:** Instant potatoes.
- DEBT REDUCTION DAY:** Sunday, April 29th. This Sunday's entire contribution will be used to reduce the debt on our building. Plan for and pray about this day of giving. Be as generous as you can.
- SICK & SHUT-IN: AT HOME:** Scharlotte Cyphers, Ruth Brewer, Jackie Parsons, Herb Rice, Mary Beth Robinson, Lloyd Cowdery, Mabel Sprout, Virginia Rickerd, Bette Gentry, Fred & Jean Larrimore, Sr., Fred Larrimore, Jr., Cheryl Stackpole, George & Betty Dunn (Pat Wright's parents). **NURSING HOMES:** Fox: Ray Baker. Calcutta Health Care: Glenn Beagle, Virginia Clutter (sister-in-law of Eva Stefl). Nentwick: Ruby Kenny. Rivendale: Ione Asher. Weirton Geriatric Center: Edna McKitrick, Ila Plum.

- God Forgives Completely -

- ▶ **The East-West Promise** (Psalm 103:12)
"As far as the east is from the west, so far has He removed our transgressions from us."
- ▶ **The Stain Remover Promise** (Isaiah 1:18)
"...though your sins are as scarlet, they will be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they will be like wool."
- ▶ **The Behind-the-Back Promise** (Isaiah 38:17)
"...for Thou hast cast all my sins behind Thy back."
- ▶ **The Eraser Promise** (Isaiah 43:25)
"I, even I, am the one who wipes out your transgressions for My own sake; and I will not remember your sins."
- ▶ **The Amnesia Promise** (Jeremiah 31:34)
"...I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."
- ▶ **The Deep Sea Promise** (Micah 7:19)
"He will again have compassion on us... Thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea."

- House to House Heart to Heart archives

MEETINGS

Reader.....	Apr. 15-20.....	F. Higginbotham
Hillview Terrace.....	Apr. 15-20.....	Michael Phillips
Southern Hills.....	Apr. 22-25.....	Jeremy Main
Weirton Heights.....	Apr. 22-26.....	Steve Stevens
Horse Cave, KY.....	Apr. 29-May 2.....	F. Higginbotham
St. Clair Ave., ELO.....	May 6-9.....	Roger Rush