

Three Philosophies of Life



Luke 10:25-37 And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?

²⁶He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou?

²⁷And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.

²⁸And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live.

²⁹But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour?

³⁰And Jesus answering said, A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.

³¹And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

³²And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side.

³³But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him,

³⁴And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

³⁵And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.

³⁶Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves?

³⁷And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise.

I. JUSTIFYING OURSELVES

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

- ◉ **Matthew 7:12 Do unto others what you would have done unto you.**

II. “WHAT IS THINE IS MINE”

A. Violence has become a common part of our life.

Proverbs 4:14-17 Enter not into the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men.

¹⁵ Avoid it, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.

¹⁶ For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away, unless they cause some to fall. ¹⁷ For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.

B. Putting Money before your fellow man

1. 1 Tim 6:6-10 But godliness with contentment is great gain.

⁷ For we brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.

⁸ And having food and raiment let us be therewith content.

⁹ But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

¹⁰ For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

III. NEGLECTING AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO GOOD

- ⦿ A. A philosophy of every man for himself. A common attitude of the religious class.
- ⦿ B. Too busy in their own duties to get involved. They didn't cause the man's unfortunate circumstances. They felt no obligation or responsibility for the man's welfare.
- ⦿ In other words, they neglected an opportunity to do good.

- James 4:17- Not doing the good you know about is a sin
- James 2:13-16- How can you have faith without doing good?
- I John 3:16-18- If you ignore the poor, how can God's love be in you?
- Gal. 6:10- Do good to all men as the opportunity arises.

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