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"Stories of Kingdom Grace"
Summary of the Pof the Good Samaritan
Luke 10:25-37
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The world needs to know the practice of the good Samaritan. But this was not the primary reason why Jesus told this story. 'Who is my neighbor?' was the second question, refining the first question, 'What shall I do to inherit eternal life?' 'Do?' Jesus was saying. 'You cannot do anything about your eternal state because you do not perfectly keep God's law.' The story of the Good Samaritan shows us how morally bankrupt we are. Eternal life is not a matter of keeping rules: it is about a relationship that springs from love, a love that responds to God's love for us. Yes, if we kept the law of love perfectly, we would be welcomed into eternal life. But we do not. In the framework of his narrative, Luke shows us why we need to be rescued.

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