

# STUDY GUIDE

September 15



## STAY IN THE LOOP

### Announcements

- We have a **Prayer night** this Thursday, Sept 19, at 6:30pm in the Classroom. This will be a biweekly event moving forward. (Kemptville)
- Join our **Ladies Praise and Prayer** for live worship and prayer time on Saturday, Sept 28, 10am-12pm (doors open at 9:30am). Coffee and refreshments will be served. (Winchester)

## START WITH PRAYER

### Use this Prayer Prompt

Thank God for all the resources He has given us. Ask God to give us His heart for people. Ask God to move us to let our love translate into actions when moments arise through our daily lives to show compassion to others - even those we don't like so much!

## STUDY THE BIBLE

*Think through and discuss your reactions as you read through Scripture:*

Luke 10:25-37

John 15:12

John 13:35

2 Corinthians 3:18

Ephesians 2:10

## STIR UP DISCUSSION

How does this week's teaching affect me personally?

1. How does the story of the Good Samaritan expand our understanding of neighbourly love? Are there any groups or individuals in your life that you might be tempted to overlook or avoid?
2. How can you extend love to those you find difficult? How can you ensure that your empathy translates into concrete actions in your daily life?
3. We need to "get off our donkeys" and have compassion for those around us. What are some "donkeys" (e.g., routines, priorities, or comforts) in your life that might be preventing you from helping others or causing you to miss opportunities? How can you adjust your priorities to be more available for serving others?
4. Being the church involves actively loving and serving those around us. How can we better embody the principles of the Good Samaritan? What specific initiatives or actions could you propose or participate in to make a difference in the lives of others in your community?

## STEP INTO ACTION

Let's try to apply this by taking some Next Steps.

1. **chURch people see people.** Everyone goes through struggles. Be more aware of the needs of those around you. Step in with love in action and speaking life and truth to them.
2. **chURch people don't choose to pass.** Ask God to give you His loving heart for people. Pray for the people God has laid on your heart and use what you have to bless them.