

**Luke 10:25-37**  
**Eternal Life Test**  
**September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018**

**1. Inheritors' Test Vs 25-28** (Deut. 6:5; Deut. 5:16-21; Lev. 19:18; Rom. 13:8-10; Gal. 5:14)

Live out the Mosaic Law summed up in loving your neighbour as yourself, loving which flows out of loving God with all your being, and you will inherit eternal life.

*When we love our neighbour as ourselves, a proof of our love for God, we know we are inheritors of eternal life (a never ending and ever deepening life with God).*

**2. Neighbour Test Vs 29-37 a**

Jesus' parable defines a neighbour as anyone personally encountered that presents an opportunity for showing love that is indiscriminate, practical, comprehensive, sacrificial and risky in nature.

*Anyone we meet is our neighbour and an object of our love that is indiscriminate, practical and comprehensive, even if it requires personal sacrifice or risk.*

**3. Impossible Test Vs 37 b** (Rom. 3:20-22; 5:5; 1 John 3:14; 4:7-12)

Jesus instructed the lawyer to practice the true application of loving his neighbour to inherit eternal life, an application beyond both what he thought and what he could do.

*The neighbourly-love test cannot be passed until through faith we first experience God's indiscriminate, practical, comprehensive, sacrificial and gracious love in Christ's death for ourselves as a helpless sinner.*

**We are definitely eternal life inheritors when our expressed faith in God's love for us in Christ is accompanied by indiscriminate, practical, comprehensive, sacrificial and risky love for others.**

**1. Improving Test Scores Phil. 1:9-11; Heb. 10:23-25**

**a. Fellowship**

We grow in our expression of neighbourly love through fellowship with one another that intentionally spurs each other on towards greater expressions of neighbourly love

## **b. Prayer**

We abound more and more in our expression of love for our neighbour by asking Father God to bring this super abounding about in and through us.

*Summary: We are increasingly assured to be eternal life inheritors when our faith in God's love for us in Christ Jesus is accompanied by growing expressions of neighbourly love.*

### **This Week's Deployment**

Imagine while walking down the street you notice a young woman sitting in the bus shelter. You notice tears are running down her face and the Spirit prompts you to compassionately approach her to find out what is causing her such distress. She tells you that she is a Mohawk student living away from home. She just found out she is pregnant and the father of her child is a foreign student whose student visa has expired and he has had to return to Republic of Côte d'Ivoire. She is terrified to tell her parents who are strict Muslims.

1. What could the indiscriminate, practical, comprehensive, sacrificial and risky love response of a 'good Samaritan' look like in this case?
2. What personal limitations would interfere with you being able to fulfill all of the above?
3. How could others in your WEEgroupEH help in giving the fullest expression of love possible?
4. How could other members of your WEEgroupEH spur you on to greater expressions of neighbourly love at home, work, school, neighbourhood or church?

Take some time to pray for one another and pray as specifically as you can in asking Father God to help you abound more and more in love.