LIFEGROUPS DISCUSSION

Use these questions in your Life Group gatherings or for further discussion as a family.

LOVING PEOPLE | JANUARY 15, 2023

SERMON RECAP | Romans 13:8-9

Jesus has called us to love others like he did, but that is only possible through the Spirit.

THE LEAD IN

• What kind of relationship do you have with your physical neighbors? How do you connect with them? Are they surface level relationships? What do you hope those relationships become?

GETTING INTO THE TEXT

- Read Luke 10:25-37. Why do you think Jesus used the story of the Good Samaritan to illustrate his teaching? What does this story teach us about how to love well?
- Think through Scripture passages that you know about the life of Christ. Who were the neighbors that Jesus showed love to? How did he love them?

GOING DEEPER

- Who are your neighbors? Use names. Think back on Luke 10 this isn't just the people who live in the house next to yours. Hint: *This is Oikos!* (And maybe some other people you hadn't considered to be part of your Oikos before.)
- Luke 6 talks about loving our enemies. Are any of the neighbors that you identified people who you don't get along with? Hard to love? Difficult people? If so, how can you change your attitude towards them and show them love? If not, are you willing to get uncomfortable and allow "enemies" into your circle so you can love them like Christ?

PRAYER

• Pray for each other's neighbors that you've identified through your discussion. Pray also that you will love them well, whether that's easy or difficult.