

SAFE IN THE ARMS JESUS

THE GREAT SAMARITAN

Sermon Text: Luke 10:25-37

I. The Story: Background

- A. Introducing: the _____ — a specialist in the law
- B. Introducing: the _____ — despised by the Jews
 - 1. Despised for their _____, for racial reasons, etc.
 - 2. Jews traveled miles out of their way to _____ contact.
 - 3. An unexpected _____ in a story by a rabbi.
- C. Question: What if the story isn't just _____?

- D. A simple story, and a powerful reminder of Christ-like _____ & _____.

II. A Lesson About Christ Himself

- A. For both the Samaritan and Jesus...
 - 1. Considered to be of _____ birth
 - 2. Pharisees thought obedience to the Law impossible for him
 - 3. From "up north" — not of _____
 - 4. Cared for the _____, alone, _____, & dying
 - 5. Bore injured man's burden
 - 6. Paid for _____, whatever it cost him
 - 7. Gives _____ of his days to save someone
- B. Jesus as the perfect, compassionate _____
 - 1. *You were the man in the ditch; Jesus saved you and paid the cost!*
 - 2. cf. Ephesians 2:1-6

III. How Will You Respond?

- A. Which character will you be?
 - 1. The priest? The Levite? The _____? The _____?
- B. It _____ something to truly show love:
 - 1. Time. Money. Energy. Comfort. Emotions. _____.

"You _____, and _____ likewise."

- Jesus