

Our Talk It Over is prepared each week by the teaching pastor and is designed to prompt insights, questions and dialogue based on the life experience of each listener. Using these in a group setting after hearing the message is similar to the practices of the early church in Israel.

Discuss:

- How does Jesus change or expand the definition of "Neighbor" in the story of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)? From Jesus' perspective, who is our neighbor?
- 2. Rank, on a scale of 1-10, the degree to which the qualities of high character, compassion and kindness are displayed in our culture. What accounts for the



ratings you gave? Now use the same scale to rank the degree to which you personally display these same qualities.

- 3. Can you recall a recent instance where someone's kindness made a significant difference in your life?
- 4. Read Galatians 6:1-10 either online (Bible Gateway or Bible Hub) or in hard copy. What instructions does Paul give in the passage that apply to being a good neighbor? What practical and lasting wisdom is found in this piece of ancient literature?
- 5. Can high character, compassion and kindness change the world? Why or why not? What difference would it make if the people who called themselves "Christians" committed to consistently live out these qualities?