

## SERMON BASED STUDY

The Art of Neighboring      Week 3  
Weekend of October 19/20, 2019

### INTRODUCTION

- Have you been able to meet any new neighbors in the past 2 weeks?
- Are there any neighbors you're intentionally avoiding? Why?
- For further study, please follow the Art of Neighboring Scripture reading plan found [here](#).

### INTO THE BIBLE

**Read Luke 5:27-32.**

- What assumptions did the religious leaders make about the people Jesus was spending time with?
- What worldviews (or beliefs, values, attitudes) do you think drove the actions of religious leaders?
- What assumptions have you made about people? How can you begin to question the assumptions you may or may not have made?

**Read Galatians 5:13-26.**

- Verse 14 refers to Leviticus 19:18, God's command to the Hebrew people about how they should act toward their neighbors. What is the *source* of that love that makes a person capable of loving their neighbors as themselves?

**Read 2 Timothy 1:7.**

- What does this verse say that God gives us to replace a *spirit of fear*?
- How do these three overcome fear?
- Do you feel like this is true in your own life?

### APPLICATION

- What are some roadblocks to deeper engagement with your neighbors? Discuss some practical ways you can overcome your fear of interacting with neighbors you don't know.

# NEW CITY

- How can you leverage the cultural significance of this month (Halloween, Fall Festivals) to meet and get to know your neighbors? What are steps you can take this week to host a gathering of your neighbors?
- Take time as a group to pray for your neighbors by name.