

## Raising Your Spiritual IQ Part 2

*One day an expert in religious law stood up to test Jesus by asking him this question: "Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus replied, "What does the law of Moses say? How do you read it?" The man answered, "'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.' And, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" "Right!" Jesus told him. "Do this and you will live!" The man wanted to justify his actions, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied with a story: "A Jewish man was traveling from Jerusalem down to Jericho, and he was attacked by bandits. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him up, and left him half dead beside the road. "By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by. A Temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side. "Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, 'Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here.' "Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?" Jesus asked. The man replied, "The one who showed him mercy." Then Jesus said, "Yes, now go and do the same." **Luke 10:25-37***

**Kindness Has The Power** \_\_\_\_\_

*Anxiety weighs the heart down but a kind word cheers it up. **Proverbs 12:25***

### Action Step:

I will be a \_\_\_\_\_ than others expect

*Do not repay evil for evil, insult for insult, on the contrary, repay evil with blessing. **1 Peter 3:9***

**Kindness Has The Power** \_\_\_\_\_

*I am humble and gentle at heart. **Matthew 11:29***

*God is love. **1 John 4:8***

*God is kind. **1 Corinthians 13:4***

The results are very clear: ... hostility, quarreling ... anger ... dissension, division. **Galatians 5:19-21**

The Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness and self-control. **Galatians 5:22-23**

**Action Step:**

I will \_\_\_\_\_ by being kind to others

**Kindness Has The Power** \_\_\_\_\_

*Love your enemies! Do good to them. Lend to them without expecting to be repaid. Then your reward from heaven will be very great and you will truly be acting as children of the Most High...*  
**Luke 6:35**

*But to you who are willing to listen, I say, 'Love your enemies! Do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who hurt you. If someone slaps you on the cheek, offer the other cheek also. If someone demands your coat, offer your shirt also ... Do to others as you would like them to do to you. If you love only those who love you, why should you get credit for that? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good only to those who do good to you, why should you get credit? Even sinners do that much ... Love your enemies! Do good to them. Then your reward from heaven will be very great and you will truly be acting as children of the Most High, for He is kind to those who are unthankful and wicked. You must be compassionate just as your Father is compassionate.* **Luke 6:27-36**

**Action Step:**

I will \_\_\_\_\_ with my kindness.

**Kindness Given Has The Power** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mephibosheth Principle. (2 Samuel 9)**

*Those who are kind benefit themselves.* **Proverbs 11:17**

**Kindness Builders**