

# Won't you be my Neighbor?

MAY 16 - STEPPING INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD



## START TALKING | ASK A QUESTION TO GET YOUR GROUP TALKING.

- Share your favorite and why: going to the movies, camping or playing on the lake/river.
- Share the friendliest neighborhood you've ever lived in. What made it so?

## START THINKING | ASK A QUESTION TO GET YOUR GROUP THINKING.

- In the midst of religious leaders trying to trap Jesus, he shares the two most important commandments.
- Read Matthew 22:37-40
- How specifically do we love God fully?
- What specific actions can we take to love our neighbor as ourselves?

## START SHARING | CHOOSE A QUESTION TO CREATE OPENNESS.

- We're called to love our neighbors, no matter how vastly different from us they might be. The Holy Spirit helps us to know how to do that.
- Read Acts 2:1-6 and the results of the Spirit in Acts 2:41
- We're called to ask, listen and obey the Spirit as we love our neighbors?
- Share a time you felt like you listened to the Spirit and obeyed.
- Share a time you did not listen to the Spirit and what happened as a result.

## START PRAYING | BE BOLD AND PRAY WITH POWER.

- *Pray openly and honestly: Holy Spirit, help us to love our neighbors with as much passion and commitment as we love Jesus. May we continue to ask for ways to love those we encounter, then listen and obey what you tell us to do. May we draw others to God by the way we live our lives. Amen.*

## START DOING | COMMIT TO A STEP AND LIVE IT OUT THIS WEEK.

Check out this 7-day plan written by high schoolers to be neighborly in our current culture:  
<https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/20190-will-you-be-my-neighbor>