

Neighbor

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Inspired by
Luke 10: 30-36

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1. A man went on a busi- ness trip that took him far from
2. A preach- er came a- long that way en- route to church that
3. A dea- con from that preach- er's church came by there mo- ments

his home. A Sun- day stroll led him in- to the
morn- ing, a a ser- mon form- ing and in his mind a-
lat- er. He saw the blood and bruises, and he

worst part of the cit- y. His shoes and clothes be- spoke such wealth; his
bout God's love and car- ing. He saw the man, his clothes stripped off, an-
feared he'd get in- fect- ed. He knew he'd be late if he stopped, so

watch and rings so glit- tered. Thugs beat him up and
other- er hap- less street bum: An il- lus- tra- tion
scared that he'd get robbed, too. It would- n't do to

picked him clean and just left him there dy- ing.
he get could use, he and not- fail to do the Lord's work.

4. A home- less and man a- woke near by, his
 5. Though old- and bent, that home- less, man ran
 6. When you are bruised and brok- en, who would

cheeks red from the cold winds. He looked in- to that
 to the bus- y curb- side. He waved his arms to
 you want for your neigh- bor? A man whose love is

dy- ing face, his heart filled with com- pas- sion. He took the blank- et
 stop a cab and point- ed to the strang- er. "Take him for help or
 on- ly words or one who'll tend your bleed- ing? A man who al- ways

from his back and The wrapped it round the vic- tim; he
 else he'll die." The cab- bie hes- i- tat- ed. "My
 counts the cost or one who holds back noth- ing? And

tore a patch from his own shirt and worked to stop the bleed- ing.
 coins are few; take these for him. Come back; I'll find more for you."
 who will YOU be neigh- bor to? Will God's love reach out through you?