



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### The Art of Neighboring – Part 2

1. From the past or present, if you had a good neighbor, share who they are and what made them a good neighbor.
2. Read and discuss each of the obstacles to neighboring that Pastor Josh unpacked in the message. You can also read the corresponding passages.
  - Time – already busy – James 4:14, John 10:10
  - Total – too many or too few – Matthew 28:16-20
  - Tried – didn't work out – Galatians 6:9-10
  - Timid – not sure how it will go – 2 Timothy 1:7, Joshua 1:9
  - Tension – strained or broken relationship – Romans 12:9-18
3. Which obstacle (or another one not mentioned) do you need God to help you overcome so that you can more fully obey Jesus' Great Commandment?
4. Of these practical ideas mentioned, discuss one or two things that you would like to do in the coming days, weeks, and months.
  - Getting started
    - Spend time outside, take a walk
    - Be friendly, smile, wave, say hello
    - Maintain your property
    - Look out for their property
    - Abide by community rules (if applicable)
  - Know and Serve
    - Learn, remember, and greet neighbors by name
    - Welcome new neighbors – assist with move in, cookies or pie
    - Share your phone number, connect on social media
    - Participate in neighborhood/area functions, social media groups
    - Share what you have – garden veggies, eggs, pool, tools, skills
    - Take initiative to meet needs – grass, leaves, snow, rides, babysitting
  - Love
    - Invite a neighbor over for dessert/coffee or dinner
    - Host an easy neighborhood gathering – bonfire/s'mores, water fun
    - Check-in via phone or text during cold months
    - Celebrate the good and show up in the hard
    - Ask neighbors for help when you need it
    - Pray for them and be sensitive to their faith journey
5. Close in prayer.