## WHO ISN'T YOUR NEIGHBOR?

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#### Introduction

- The purpose of our series on Race
- Definition:
- Creation Sin/Fall Redemption Consummation

### Models of how Christians relate to the World

- Mandate from Creation (Gen 2:15) Humanity has a mandate to "work" and "keep"
- Two Cities/Kingdoms (St. Augustine) Two kingdoms locked in a battle, with one foreordained winner.
- Christ in Culture (R. Niebuhr) Against; Over; Separate from; In

### How models help and where they fall short

#### Luke 10:25-37 - The Parable of the Good Samaritan

- The initial question Being justified before God
- The Parable A case study in Behavior and Race
- The Conclusion Mercy

#### Conclusion

- 1. Know your own tendencies toward self-justification
- 2. Purity is not always the best target to aim for
- 3. Listen to the voices of the marginalized
- 4. Who isn't your neighbor?