He Is Our Righteousness

Participant’s Guide

Session 2:
A Story to Answer Questions and to Reframe Them

1. Try to imagine yourself in the lawyer's place. How would you expect the story to answer your question? (Because we know the parable so well, we usually don’t take the time to ask about what the lawyer would have been expecting and how he might have heard it.)
2. What do you know about priests and Levites? How would you characterize them? How do you think Jesus’ original hearers would have characterized them?

3. What do you know about Samaritans? How would you characterize them? How do you think Jesus’ original hearers would have characterized them?

4. List the things that the Samaritan does for the wounded man. Why is the Samaritan so caring?

Looking Ahead
Are you beginning to think differently about this parable? What questions do you have about what was covered in this session? What questions do you still have about this parable?