

An aerial photograph of a densely populated suburban neighborhood. The houses are mostly single-story with various roof colors, including brown, grey, and red. The houses are built on a slight incline, with a road winding through the center. In the background, there are blue mountains under a sky with scattered white clouds. The text 'Wont' You Be a Neighbor?' is overlaid in a large, orange, serif font, with decorative flourishes extending from the letters.

Wont' You Be a Neighbor?

Week 4

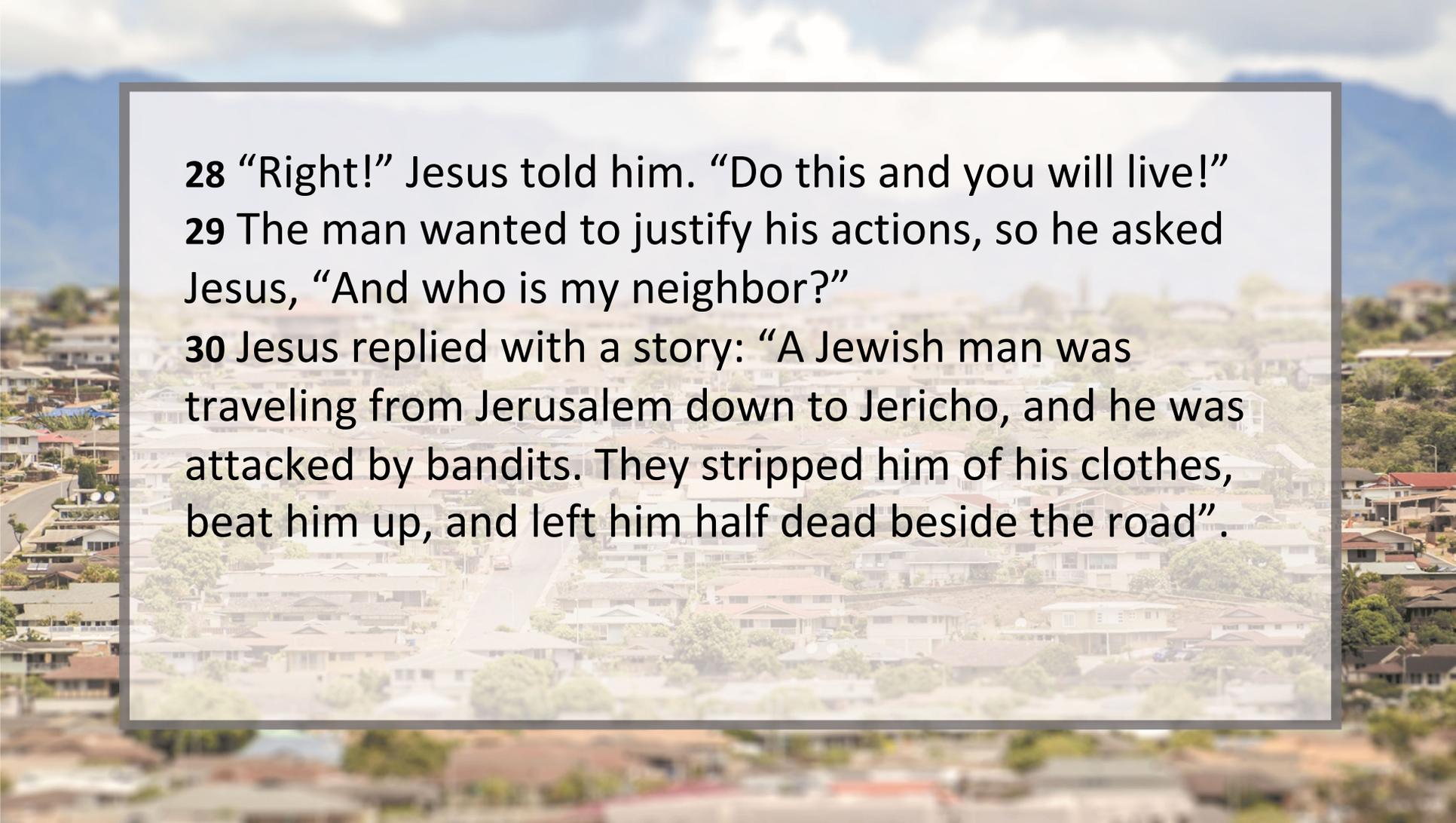
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Luke 10:25-37 NLT

25 One day an expert in religious law stood up to test Jesus by asking him this question: “Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?”

26 Jesus replied, “What does the law of Moses say? How do you read it?”

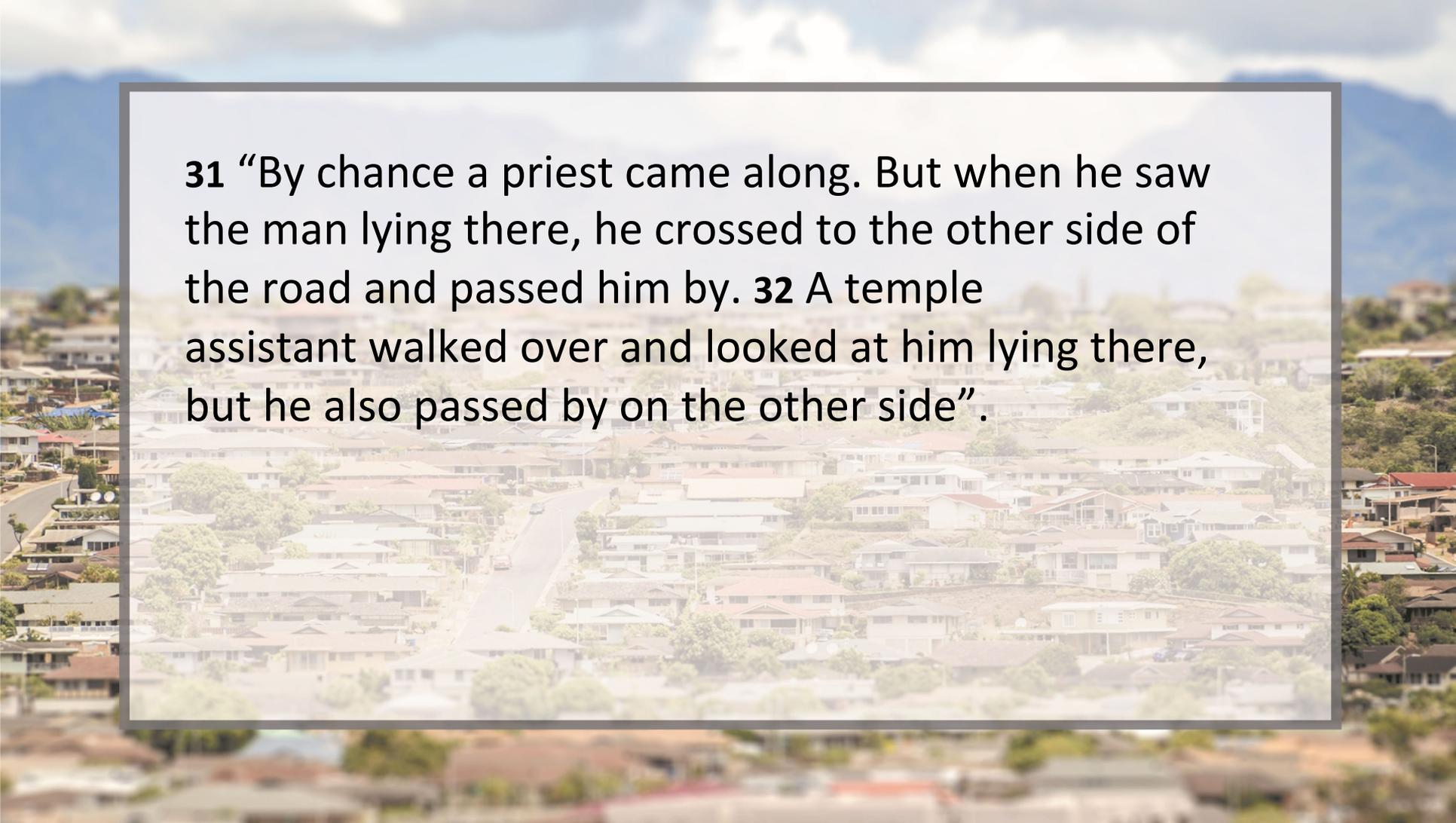
27 The man answered, “‘You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and all your mind.’ And, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”



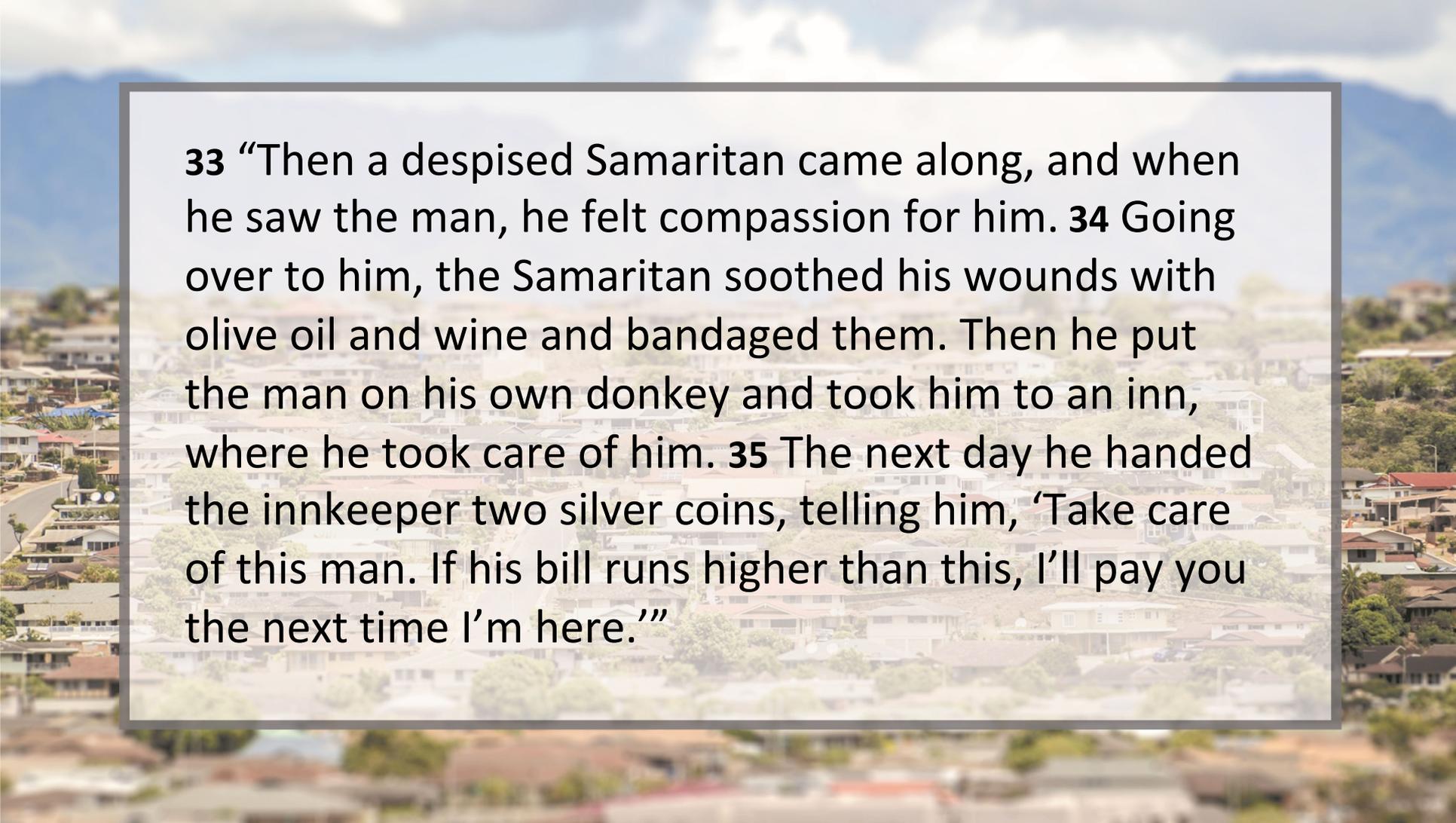
28 “Right!” Jesus told him. “Do this and you will live!”

29 The man wanted to justify his actions, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

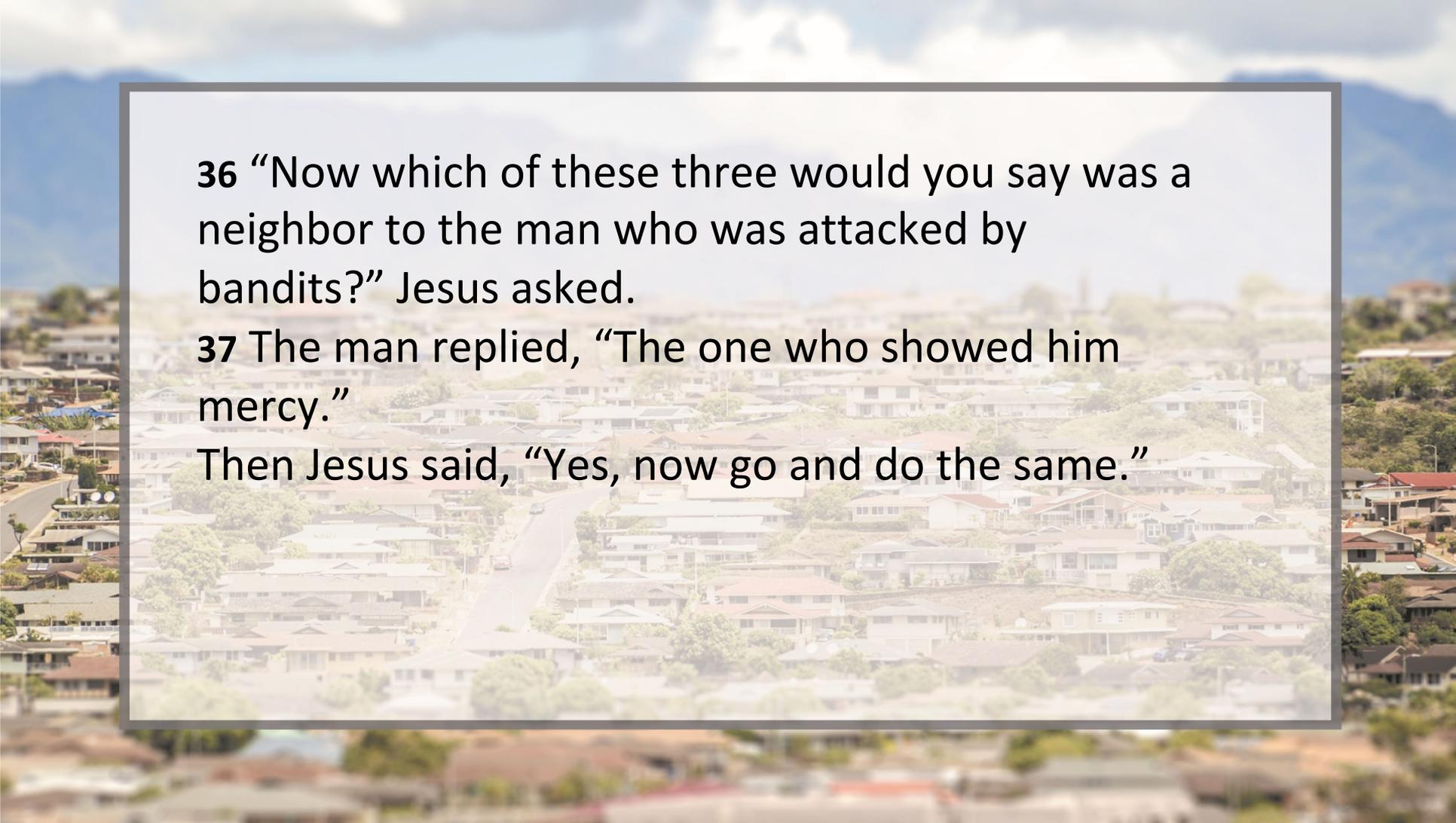
30 Jesus replied with a story: “A Jewish man was traveling from Jerusalem down to Jericho, and he was attacked by bandits. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him up, and left him half dead beside the road”.



31 “By chance a priest came along. But when he saw the man lying there, he crossed to the other side of the road and passed him by. **32** A temple assistant walked over and looked at him lying there, but he also passed by on the other side”.



33 “Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him. **34** Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him. **35** The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, ‘Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I’ll pay you the next time I’m here.’”

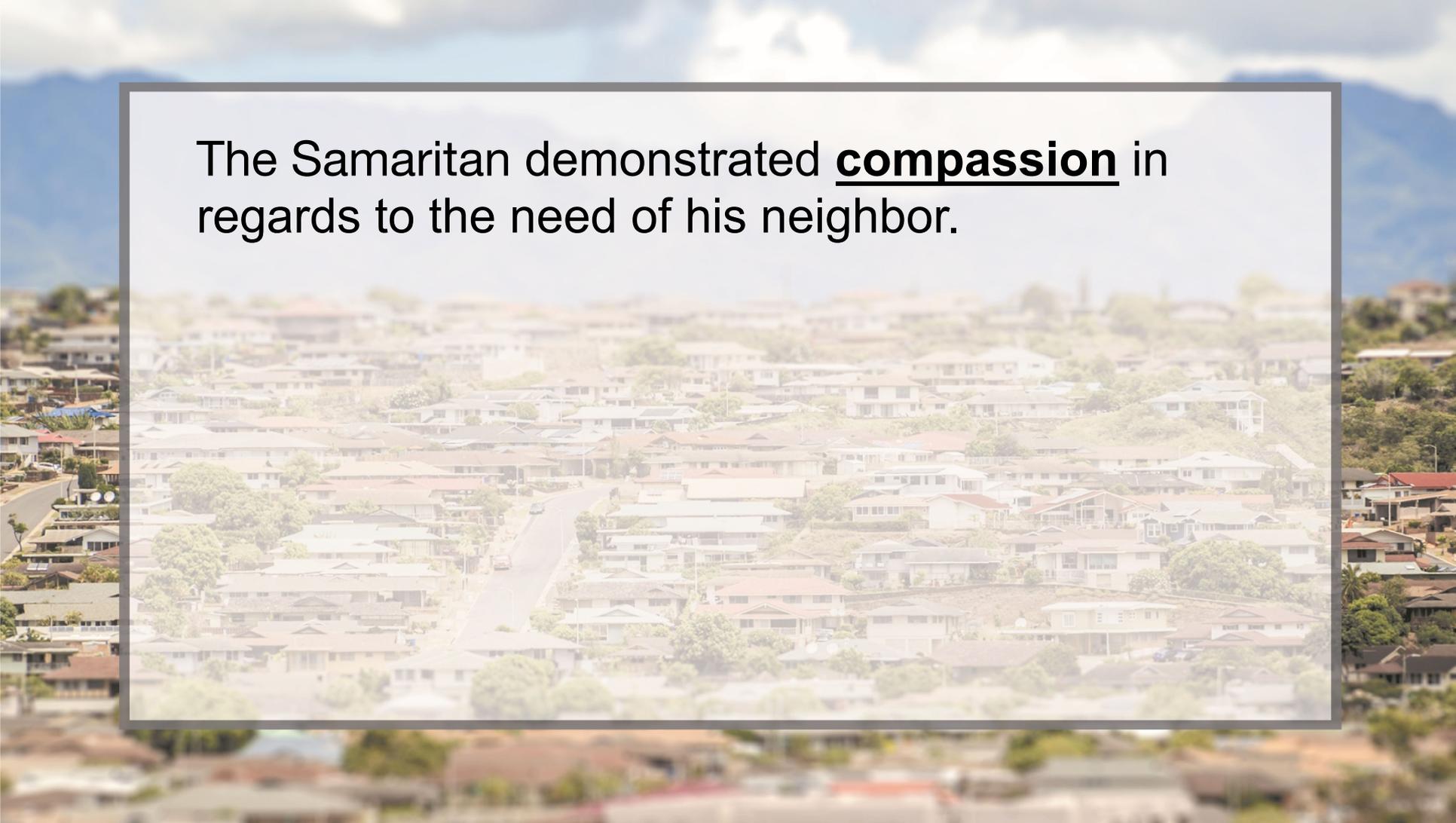


36 “Now which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by bandits?” Jesus asked.

37 The man replied, “The one who showed him mercy.”

Then Jesus said, “Yes, now go and do the same.”

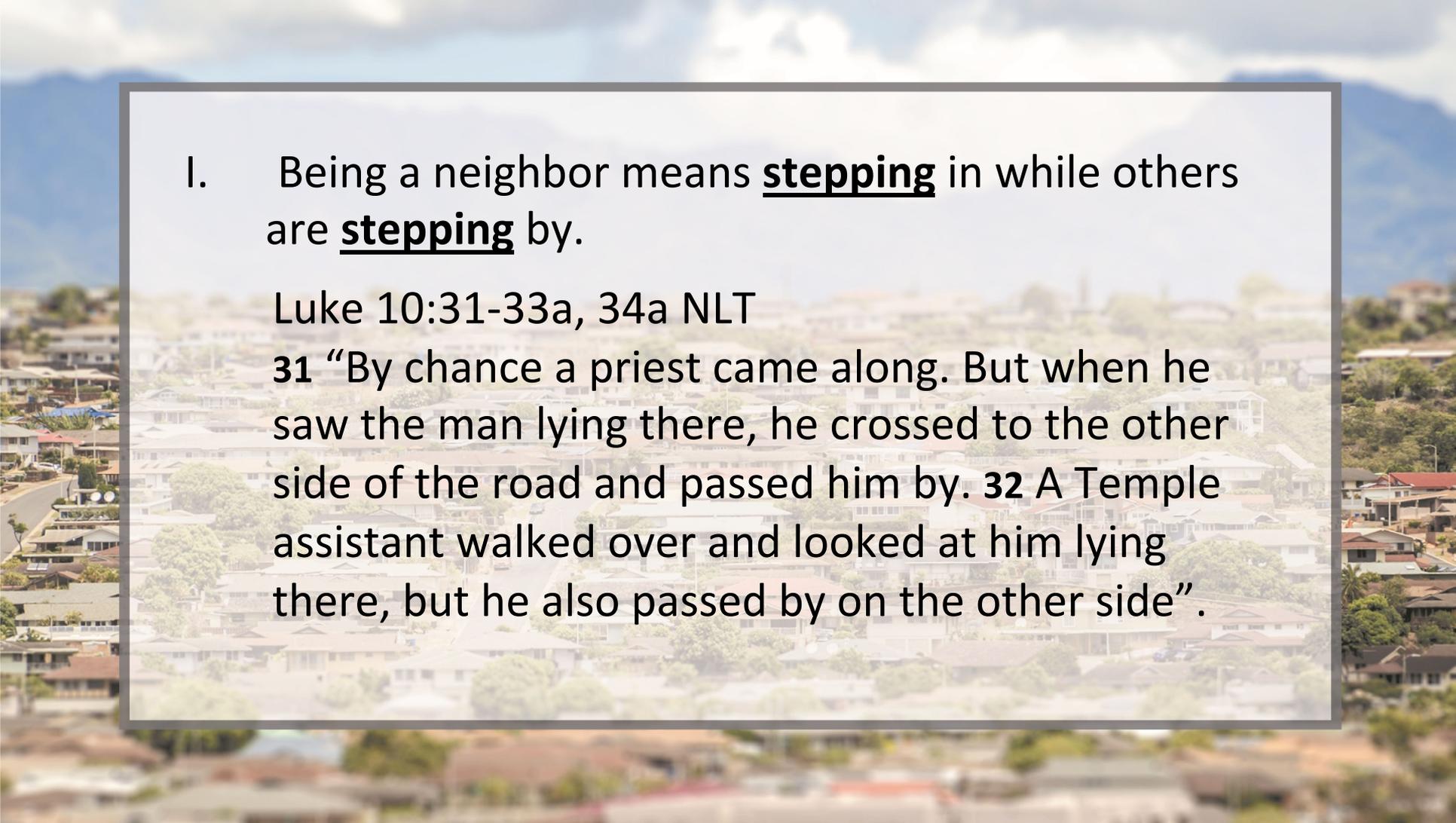
The Samaritan demonstrated compassion in regards to the need of his neighbor.



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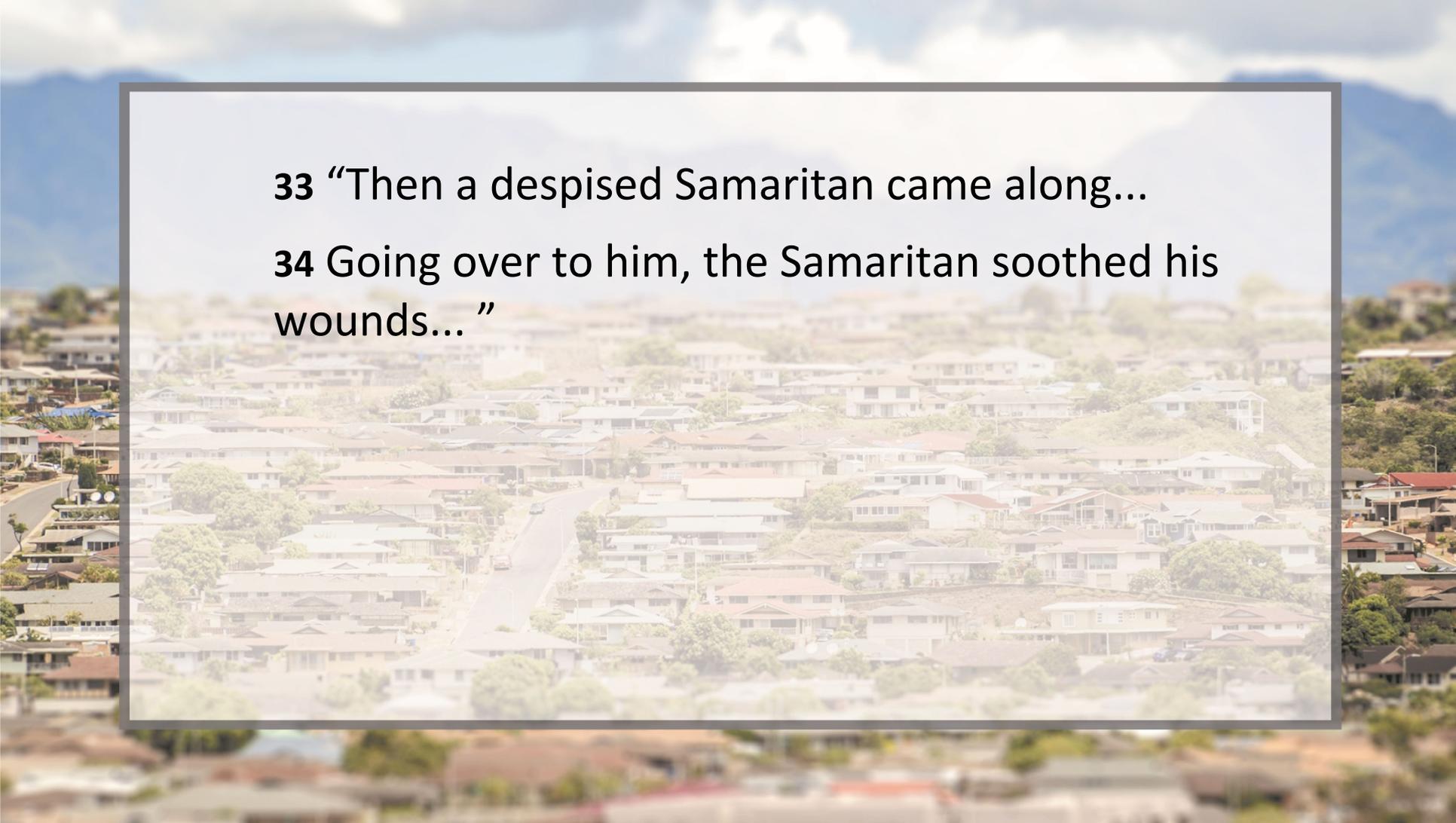
Noun: sympathetic consciousness of others' distress together with a desire to alleviate it.

Synonyms: pity, sympathy, empathy, care, concern, warmth, love, tenderness, mercy, kindness, charity.

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- I. Being a neighbor means **stepping** in while others are **stepping** by.

Luke 10:31-33a, 34a NLT

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An aerial photograph of a suburban neighborhood with a road winding through it, overlaid with a semi-transparent text box. The houses are mostly two-story structures with light-colored roofs. The background shows a hazy mountain range under a cloudy sky.

33 “Then a despised Samaritan came along...

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II. Being a neighbor means your **comfort** will be **affected**.

Luke 10:34 NLT

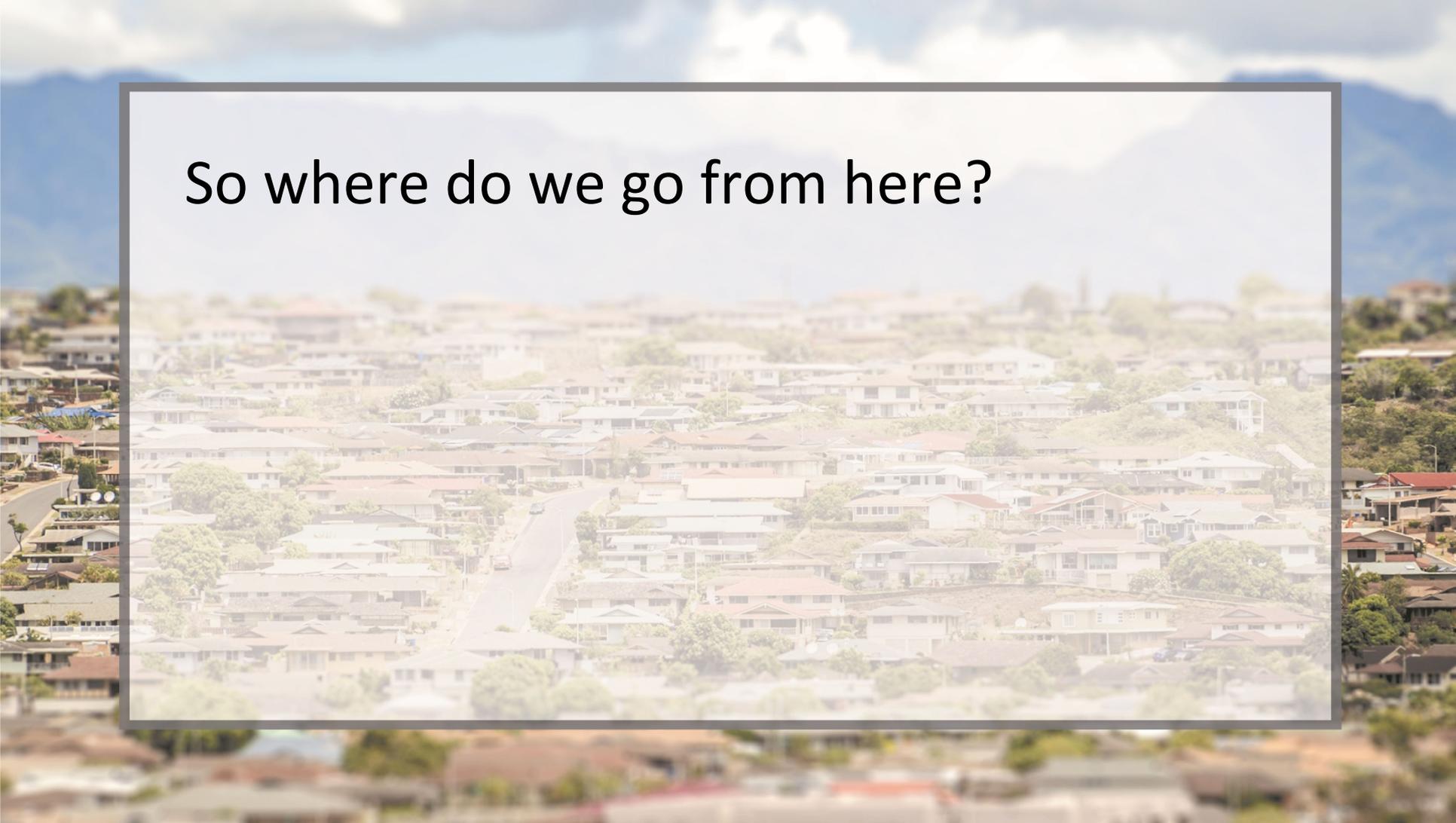
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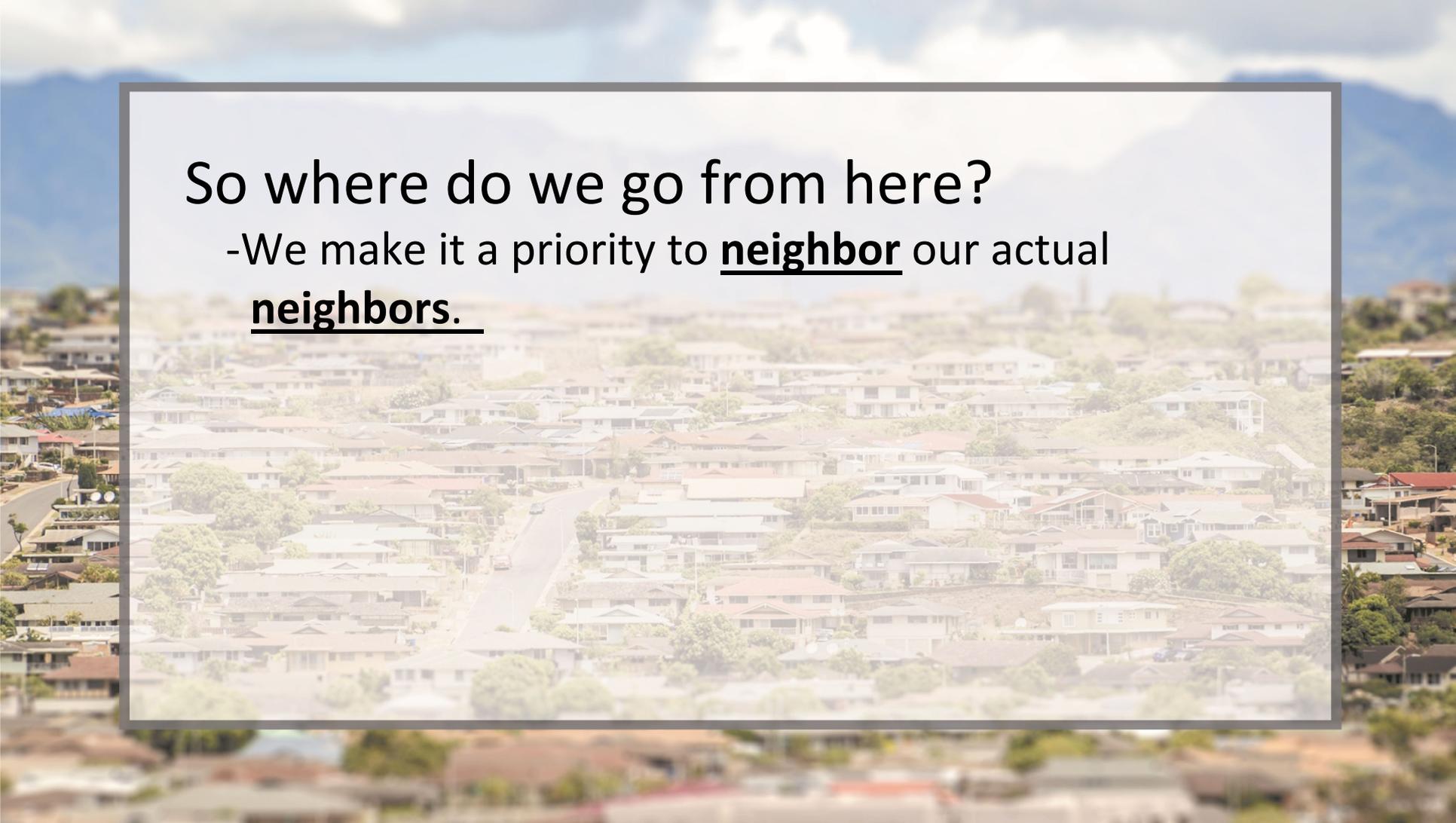
III. Being a neighbor means you are in it for the **long haul.**

Luke 10:35 NLT

35 “The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, ‘Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I’ll pay you the next time I’m here.’”

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An aerial photograph of a suburban neighborhood with numerous houses and a winding road. The image is semi-transparent, allowing the text to be clearly visible. In the background, there are mountains under a cloudy sky.

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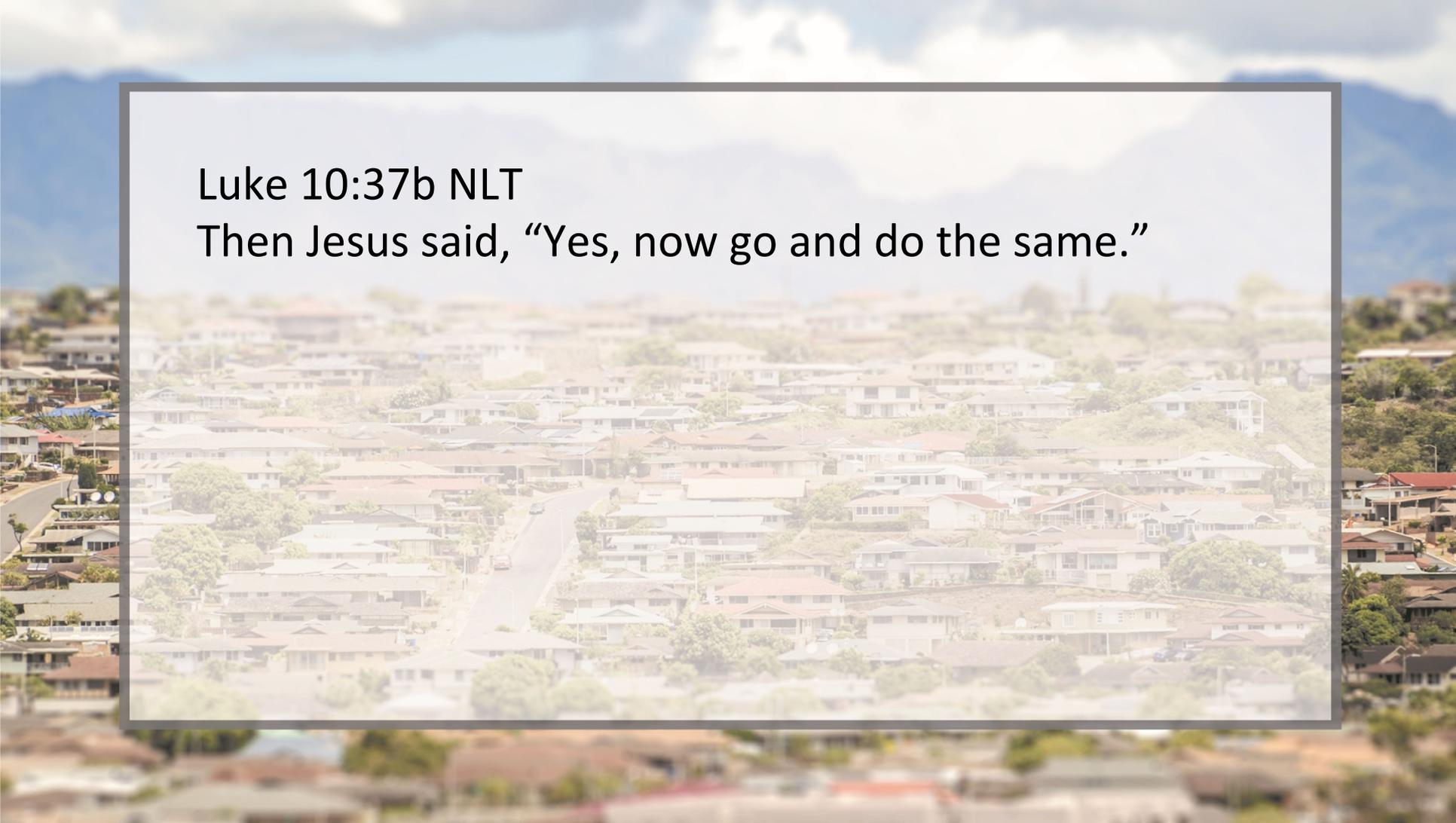
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- We make it a priority to neighbor our actual neighbors.
- We reject the apathy of the Pharisee and Levite.
- We embrace the compassion of the Samaritan.

An aerial photograph of a suburban neighborhood with numerous houses and a winding road, set against a backdrop of mountains under a cloudy sky. The image is slightly faded to accommodate the text overlay.

Luke 10:37b NLT

Then Jesus said, “Yes, now go and do the same.”