

Literary Analysis of Luke 10:25–37

Read Luke 10:25–37 silently. Discuss your responses to the following questions with your partner. Each of you should record your responses on your own handout. Be prepared to share your responses with the class.

1. What is the form or literary genre of the text?
2. How would you summarize the text? Is there a plot? What is the plot?
3. What do you notice about the placement or repetition of words?
4. What particular words are used? What do they mean?
5. What images or symbols are used? How are they used? What is their significance?
6. What characters appear in the text, if any? What do you know about them?
7. How do the characters interact and relate to one another in the text?
8. Using the insights gained from literary criticism, what is the primary message being communicated in this text? What meaning does this text have for us today?

