



Risk It...Reach Across the Fence
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It has been said that at the end of your life, what you will regret the most are the risks that you don't take. Society today tells us to reduce our risks. But when you read the gospels you see Jesus encouraging His followers to take risks. I don't think that was encouraging people to take foolish risks, like skydiving without a parachute, but relational ones, maybe reaching out to people you might come across, even if they don't look or act like you.

Today we are going to talk about one of the risks that we feel Jesus is calling us to as a church. A risk that you can take in your everyday life: Reaching across your fence and being a great neighbor. At the end of your life don't regret the risks you didn't take.

The Good Samaritan Luke 10:25–37 (NLT)

Jesus portrays their religious affiliation as a barrier rather than a motivator to becoming involved in the life of a hurting person.

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Begin with Prayer

Listen to Others

Eat Together

Serve Others

Share Your Story

3 things look out for as you reach over the fence this summer and be a great neighbor:

1. Have your eyes open for opportunities.

2. Go deep not wide.

“Do for one what you wish you could do for all.” – Andy Stanley

3. Take some risks.

3 things to risk as you reach over the fence this summer and be a great neighbor:

1. Risk your Money

2. Risk your time

3. Risk your Reputation

Love them so much that you'll make people change the way they think of Christians.