

## Series: Love Your Neighbor

### Part 1: The Call to be a Good Neighbor

Sunday Oct. 5, 2014

1. Mayor Bob said, "There are a lot of issues that face our community but the majority of them could be drastically reduced if we would just become a community of good neighbors."
2. How might that mayor's statement resonate with our mayor – for our city?
3. Vicky Reier, the Assistant City Manager of Arvada said this, "From the city's perspective, there's not a lot of difference between the way Christians and non-Christians neighbor."
4. From your perspective, mayor, and perhaps from the perspective of those whom you work with on Council – would this statement also be true of our city?
5. Mayor Frie's wife said that her dream and the dream of her husband for their city was... "to be a part of a community where nobody falls through the cracks... where people feel safe, and we both feel that the key to doing this is to become a community of good neighbors."
6. If we were to ask you, mayor – what your dream for Chilliwack might be – what would you (and perhaps, Jim) say?
7. The *Big Idea*: Christians are called to love their neighbors.
8. What might NOT loving your neighbor do for you AND him or her?
  - a. Hurts Health?
  - b. Poisons Politics?
9. "Who's my neighbor?" (Lk. 10:25-37)
10. *From one man he (God) made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and **the exact places where they should live**. God did this so that men would seek him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us* (Acts 17:26-27).
11. "Neighbor Chart" Instructions:
  - a. Write down the names of your nearest "neighbors."
  - b. Write down some relevant information about your "neighbors."
  - c. Write down something meaningful about your "neighbors."
12. Action Steps:
  - a. Get to know your neighbors – by name – incl. relevant and meaningful info.
  - b. Join a series care group.