

Story 8 : The Good Samaritan

Main Bible verse
[Luke 10:37]

The authority on the law replied, "The one who felt sorry for him."
Jesus told him, "Go and do as he did."

An expert in law stood up to test Jesus. "What must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Jesus asked the Expert. "What is written in the Law?" The Expert answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, strength, and mind, and love your neighbor as yourself."

Then Jesus said, "You have answered correctly. Do this and you will inherit eternal life."

But the expert in law wanted to justify himself so he asked Jesus, "Then who is my neighbor?"

In response, Jesus told him a story.

A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho when he fell into the hands of robbers.

The robbers stripped the man of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead.

The man was hurt so badly that he couldn't get up. Then, he heard the sound of footsteps.

They were the footsteps of a priest who offers sacrifices to God in the temple.

But when the priest saw the man, he passed by on the other side.

A moment later some more footsteps could be heard. They were the footsteps of a Levite who helps priests in the temple.

The Levite also saw the man who was lying in the road but he too passed by on the other side.

The fallen man was getting weaker and weaker.

Then a moment later another set of footsteps could be heard.





A man was travelling on a donkey. He was a Samaritan.

Samaritans were ignored and looked down on by the Israelites.

The man was very weak, and he had almost given up when something amazing happened.

The Samaritan got off his donkey and approached the man to help him.

The Samaritan first carefully wiped the man's blood.

He then cleaned the man's wound with ointment and bandaged him carefully.

The Samaritan put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn and took care of him.

The next day, the Samaritan took out some money and gave it to the innkeeper, saying, "I have to leave now but please look after him well. I will return and when I do, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have."

After telling the story, Jesus asked the expert in law who has first questioned him.

There are three people in the story - a priest, a Levite, and a Samaritan.

Which of these three do you think was a true neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?

The Expert answered, "The one who had mercy on him and helped him - the Samaritan."

Jesus said, "That's right. Now go and do likewise."

Activity 1.

Answer the following questions.

a. What happened to the man who was going from Jerusalem to Jericho?

b. How many men passed near the man who was attacked by robbers?

c. Read Luke 10:33-35. Who helped the man who was attacked by robbers and what did he do for him?

- Read and memorize the main Bible verse. (Luke 10:37)

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Activity 2.

Circle what this man who was attacked by robbers needs to be healed and recover.

