

# The good Samaritan

Hello Mom and Dad

It is the most wonderful time of the year. This is the time to look back and reflect on the goodness and faithfulness of God in a year that has been unprecedented at best. We encourage you to take time, consider and document what God has done for you. When we search for it, we will see traces of the hand of God even in the most trying seasons of the year.

"I remain confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living. Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord." – Psalms 27:13-14

This week we endeavour to teach our children to walk with Jesus and show love to their neighbours through the parable of the good Samaritan. This is a wonderful story speaking to our prejudice hearts towards those different to us. We want our children to learn to demonstrate the love of God to those we are least likely to care for.

Our lesson objectives for this week:

- To learn to love our neighbours
- To learn that everyone, even those different from us is our neighbour

To start your time together, we encourage you to thank the Lord out loud for His goodness and faithfulness. Ask each person what they are thankful for. Help each child indicate by making examples such as, "I am thankful to the Lord for His protection and for giving us food every day." Allow time for each child to state their thanksgiving.

We have put together a selection of songs you may use as you launch into the lesson.

With love,  
3CKids Team



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## What to prepare:

- Read in advance Luke 10:25-37
- A board or piece of paper displaying the word 'love' large enough for all to see

## Praise and Worship:

Copy these links and paste it into your browser to play the songs of the week:

- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=twFAZfU\\_x4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=twFAZfU_x4) (**Send Your Rain**)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7Wxi-F9R7I0> (**First**)
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=shzOEbCWWS0&t=21s> (**I will go**)

## Memory verse:

1 Corinthians 13:7 NLT

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**"Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance"**

## Declaration for the week:

***I will never give up on loving others***

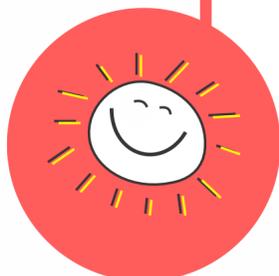
## Activity Sheet

The activities are added to aid with general knowledge

- Activity – Crossword
- Activity – Find the path
- Activity – Missing words
- Activity – Colouring

## Fitness Fun

Fitness is always fun when you involve the family. Learn new skills and grow strong together with these exercises. Spell out the days of the week and do the exercises for each day.



## Lesson Time

**Opening Activity:** Who do you love?

Write the word "love" on a board or piece of paper to display. Ask the children to close their eyes and imagine someone they love. Then ask each child to say who they love. Try to restate the children's answers as follows:

- If a child says "mom" ... you say "Good answer, we should love our moms – God wants us to love our moms.
- If a child says "friends" ... you say "Good answer, we should love our friends – God wants us to love our friends.

Say: These are all good answers, but today we are going to learn that God wants us to love everyone in our lives. Even people that we normally would not like.

Pray with me: Father God, thank You for today. Thank You that You are making me more like You. Teach me to love others the way You love them. In Jesus name. Amen.

Repeat the declaration: I will never give up on loving others

Say: In the story we are going to read from the Bible, Jesus tells a man what it really means to really love your neighbour. In this story there are three characters. Listen carefully to see which person really showed love. **(Read Luke 10:30-37 to the kids)**

Ask: Where was the man travelling to on the road?

Answer: The man was travelling from Jerusalem to Jericho

Ask: What happened to him on the road?

Answer: The man was attacked by robbers. They took his clothes, hurt him and left him badly beaten on the side of the road.

Ask: Who was the first person to walk along the same road and what did he do?

Answer: A priest came first. When he saw the man, he crossed the road and walked away

Ask: Who was the second person who came past and what did he do?

Answer: A Levite (temple assistant) came next. He passed by without helping

Ask: Who was the last person who came past and what did he do?

Answer: A Samaritan came past. He went over to the beaten man and helped him. He covered his wounds and put him on his donkey. He took him to a hotel and took care of him.

Ask: Who of these people showed love to the beaten man?

Answer: The good Samaritan

Say: Sometimes there are people in our lives that will need us to show them love. People who need love do not always look like people we would want to help. It may not always be easy to show love to someone who has maybe said bad things about you. But God has given us His ability to love others even when it is not easy. We can help anyone and love everyone without giving up.

Activity: Tell the children that you are going to read some statements that might be ways to love your neighbour. Ask them to stand if they agree. If they disagree they should sit down with arms crossed.

- We do not need to help people if we are watching our favourite TV show.
- We should be extra nice to kids at school who have trouble making friends.
- We should obey our parents right away.
- We can make our brother/sister beg us for a long time to help them
- We can give our good clothes and toys to other children who need
- We do not need to forgive people who have hurt us badly



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**Application:**

Say: Do you have things that you have done wrong that you want God to forgive you from? Have other people done or said bad things to you that you need to forgive?

Pray after me: "Father God, Thank You so much for loving me. Please forgive me my sin, doing things my way, not listening to my parents and not being helpful when I can be. I choose to also forgive those who have said and done bad things to me. Please wash me in Your blood and make me clean. I believe Your word. In Jesus name, Amen"

Declare what the blood of Jesus has done for us. Let's say it together:

- By the blood of Jesus, I have been redeemed from the power of the enemy.
- By the blood of Jesus, all my sins are forgiven.
- Because I spend time with other Christians, the blood of Jesus cleanses me from sin.
- By the blood of Jesus, I am justified, and God sees me as if I have never sinned.
- By the blood of Jesus, I am sanctified and set apart for God's holy purpose.

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**Devotion plans:**

You are welcome to use the devotions that accompany the lessons throughout the week to help each child connect to the Word daily. The devotions are aimed to help each child spend daily quiet time with the Lord through His word. If you have the means, assist each child to create a special place and help allocate a special time for their devotion.

Younger children: we encourage you to spend a few minutes a day reading the scripture to your child and helping them say the declaration.

Older children: help the children to read the daily scripture, reflect on what the Lord is saying to them and then write their own declaration for the day.

