



# Life of Christ

## The Kind Man

## Luke 10:25-37

**Younger Verse**

Let your light shine. Matthew 5:16

**Older Verse**

Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven. Matthew 5:16

**Lesson Goals**

To let the children see and understand that Jesus cares for them  
To understand we are to be compassionate to everyone even our enemies!

**Welcome Time**

Greet each child and make them feel special by being "kind" to everyone.

**Bible Story**

*Please note: This portion of the lesson is given to help in teaching the lesson. Please read through the story and read it in the Bible. Do **NOT** read from this piece of paper. Instead, make a note sheet and place it next to the story in the Bible.*

The lesson is told from the innkeeper's viewpoint. Remember that this is a story (parable) that Jesus told to help people know how important it is to help and care for others, no matter who they are.

**Tell the story from the perspective of the innkeeper. Dress in a costume from that time period (possibly bed sheets) and see if you can arrange the room so that it resembles a motel room or let the kids pretend that they are coming into a motel room (put a sign on the door).**

I am the innkeeper. An inn is like a motel. I take care of the rooms that people want to rent for the night.

One night a man came into our motel with someone who was hurt. He had been beaten up and left for dead. He looked horrible!

This kind man cared for the man. He bandaged his wounds and even gave me 2 silver coins for a motel room for him!

Do you want to know the strange thing? Believe it or not, the kind man was a Samaritan. He was from a different culture. Usually the two different cultures stayed away from each other. They never talked to each other. I couldn't believe that this man was helping the man and even paying for his room!

After the kind man left, the hurt man told me the whole story. Listen to what he said...

The man was traveling down the road when he heard a noise. He was walking along part of the road that was very dangerous. He knew that thieves and robbers hid out to ambush and attack people.

Sure enough, the robbers jumped out from behind a rock and attacked the man. They took all his money and even his clothes!! They hurt him so badly that he could not get up.

He lay there unable to call for help.

Suddenly, he heard footsteps. He tried to shout, but nothing came out of his mouth. The man walking by was a priest, so he thought that he would get help.

Believe it or not, the priest walked on by. He did NOT help!

The man was shocked. He was hurt so terribly and the priest did not help him.

Then, again, he heard footsteps. This time he hoped that someone would stop and help.

He saw that the man was a Levite. That means that the man helped in the church.

Can you guess what happened? The man walked on by! This man did not help either!!

Neither of the men had compassion on the hurting man. Compassion means that you feel sad for someone that is hurt and try to help them.

Well, the man lay there hoping and praying that someone would come by to help him.

Then, the man from another culture came along the road. The hurt man's hopes were shattered, he thought. He could see that the man was not like him. He knew that the man was different and would probably not stop.

What happened next was amazing! The Samaritan man had compassion on the hurt man. He saw that he was hurt and helped him. He bandaged his sores and took care of him. He put the hurt man on his donkey and walked him to my motel.

This man was so kind to the hurt man. He helped him and cared for him.

Jesus wants us to have compassion for others too. We may not have the opportunity to help someone who has been beaten up, but we can help in other ways to show that we care.

Jesus cared for us like the Samaritan cared for the man. He loved us so much that He did something for us to help us. We were like the hurt man. All the bad stuff we have done made our heart dirty inside. The wrongs that we do are called sin. The sin that we have inside us hurts us because it separates us from God.

Jesus was like the kind man. He made a way to help us and care for us. He died in our place for all the bad stuff we have done. If we believe in Him, He will wash away all the bad stuff and erase it from our hearts. Then, we are clean and can go to Heaven one day! If you would like Jesus to clean out your heart, talk to me about it today.

**Learning Activities**

Look at the Hands-on learning ideas to help the kids learn the lesson. Please be sure always to end the lesson by sharing how they can trust Christ.

**Memory Verse Activities**

Try some of the activities to help the kids see how to "shine" for Jesus.

**Prayer Time**

Ask God to help everyone show kindness to everyone this week—even those who are unkind to us!

**Snack Time/CleanUp**

Let everyone serve his neighbor today. When a person gets snacks, he must give it to someone else and not eat it himself. Reassure each person that they will each get snacks (make sure everyone gets some).

Planning for November 10th  
How can I be humble and not proud?  
A mom's request  
Matthew 20:20-28

## Preschool Lesson for The Kind Man

Teachers: This is a fun lesson to act out.

One day a man asked Jesus who he should be nice to. Jesus told a story to help the man know.

A man was walking to town when he was attacked by robbers. They took all his money and left him on the side of the road. Soon a preacher came by. He crossed on the other side and did not help the man. Next a teacher at the church came by. He did not help either. Finally, a foreign man, who no one liked, came by. He stopped and helped the man! He put medicine on his wounds and took him to town. He even paid for a place where the man could stay.

Now Jesus asked, “Which one of these men was kind--the preacher, the teacher, or the foreigner?” (You may want your kids to answer the question too.) The man answered, “It was the foreigner.” Jesus then told him to go and be nice to others in the same way.

We can be good like the foreigner. We can help others and show Jesus’ love to everyone we meet--even strangers! (ask them some ways that they can be kind to people)

An example of the foreign man would be someone you did not like or who was different from you. This foreigner was kind to someone who was different from him. We can learn to be nice to others in the same way he was.

Jesus told the man to love others like he loved himself. Who can you be nice to? (wait for answers) How can we be kind—even to people who are different from us? (wait for responses)

Sing this song to the tune of “London Bridge.”

Jesus wants me to be kind,  
to be kind, to be kind.  
Jesus wants me to be kind,  
Kindness makes me happy!

## Hands-On Activities for The Kind Man

Let preschoolers put bandages on dolls or on each other to remember the lesson.

This is a great lesson to act out. Remember to make sure the kids get the meaning of the story and see how they can love their enemies too.

Try the Good Man relay. It's fun!

There are some fun paper crafts to make that the kids can take home.

Make bandages out of computer labels. Write the verse on it so that they can remember to be kind to their enemies.