



2011

Go And Make Disciples

The Cross and Beyond

Lesson 40: The Story of the Good Samaritan

Scripture

Luke 10:25-37

Memory Verse

And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 1 John 5:11 (NIV)

Lesson Goals

Understand that we are to be a neighbor to those around us.

Understand that you can't "do" anything to get to heaven. It is a gift from God.

The following is a summary of the Bible story to help supplement your preparation. In your personal study time, use this summary as a guide, and make notes to help you remember your plans for the lesson. Please do **NOT** read to the children.

“One day an authority on the law stood up to put Jesus to the test. ‘Teacher,’ he asked, ‘what must I do to receive eternal life?’” (Luke 10:25 NIV)

As Jesus often did, he answered the man’s question with another question! Since this man was such an expert of the law, Jesus asked the man what the law had to say about his question. He wanted to hear how the man understood it.

The man answered from Deuteronomy and Leviticus. He answered with a verse that every Jew would have learned growing up. “He answered, ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love Him with all your strength and with all your mind.’ – (Deuteronomy 6:5) And, ‘Love your neighbor as you love yourself.’ – (Leviticus 19:18)” (Luke 10:27 NIV)

His answer was correct. All that was needed was to live it out. But the man wasn’t finished testing Jesus. He also “wanted to make himself look good. So he asked Jesus, ‘And who is my neighbor?’” (Luke 10:29 NIV)

As often as Jesus answered a question with another question, He answered with a story. Jesus told the story of a man who was traveling from Jerusalem to the city of Jericho. As he was traveling, robbers attacked him. They beat him up and took his clothes, leaving him almost dead.

A priest, one of the men who worked in the temple, just happened to be traveling down the same road. Many priests lived in Jericho and traveled to Jerusalem when the time came to work in the temple. He was probably headed back home to Jericho after serving in the temple. He saw the wounded man who had been robbed, but instead of helping him, he crossed the road and walked on the other side.

A Levite, a servant of the priests who worked in the temple, came by, too. He also saw the wounded man and went out of his way to cross the road as well. He did nothing to help.

Then a Samaritan man came by. The Samaritans were hated by the Jews, but this Samaritan came to where the wounded man was and he felt sorry for him. He treated his wounds with olive oil and wine and then he bandaged them. He put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn.

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Application

Our memory verse says, "And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son." 1 John 5:11 (NIV)

If you will remember, our lesson started with a question, "Teacher, what must I do to receive eternal life?" (Luke 10:25 NIV)

There is nothing you can "do" to receive eternal life. God has already "done" everything necessary. He sent His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross. Eternal life is a free gift. (Romans 6:23) All you have to "do" is accept this wonderful, amazing gift that God is offering.

Are you ready to accept that gift today? If so, let's talk.

inn. He asked the owner to take care of this man while he was gone. If the owner needed to spend more than the two silver coins were worth, the Samaritan man would repay the money when he returned.

Then Jesus asked the man who was an authority on the law, "Which of the three do you think was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by robbers?" (Luke 10:36 NIV)

And although it probably stuck in his throat to have to say it, he responded, "The one who felt sorry for him." (Luke 10:37 NIV) Jesus encouraged him to go and do the same.

Are you aware of the people around you who are hurting? Or do you pass by without making eye contact hoping that relieves you of any responsibility? If you crossed their path, it was not by accident. Will you obey Jesus and "love your neighbor as you love yourself"? It is impossible unless you first love God.

Preparing for the Next Lesson

Jesus Raises Lazarus from the dead



Preschool Lesson

Teachers:

Bring bandages.

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The Samaritan took care of the wounded man that evening. The next day, when he needed to leave, he left two silver coins with the owner of the inn. He asked the owner to take care of this man while he was gone. If the owner needed to spend more than the two silver coins were worth, the Samaritan man would repay the money when he returned.

When Jesus finished the story, He asked the man who, "Which of the three do you think was a neighbor to the man who was attacked by robbers?" (Luke 10:36 NIV)

He answered, "The one who felt sorry for him." (Luke 10:37 NIV) Jesus told him to go and do the same.

You and I should go and do the same, too. Who do you know that you can be kind to?



Activities

- Memory Verse Activity - Stretch medical tape, like that used for securing bandages, across a sheet of construction paper. Write the memory verse on the medical tape. Be sure to include the reference.
- Encourage your students to fill out the journal/note page found on page 8. This can be used during the story to help focus your students or after the story as a review.
- Bring bubble gum bandages for a snack today.
- Re-enact the lesson.
- Find Jerusalem and Jericho on a map of Israel.
- Sing “The Mission,” “Trust and Obey,” “Amazing Love,” or another song related to the lesson.
- Talk about the fact that they priest and Levite had studied the law. What the Law required, though, was the opposite treatment - even of animals and enemies.* Look up and discuss the following verses: Exodus 23:4,5; Deuteronomy 22:4; Isaiah 58:7.
- Dig Deeper: Reread Luke 10:30-32. Then, discuss the following. Thousands of priests and Levites lived in Jericho and these two would have been “returning from temple duties.” The problem was that they hadn’t learned what it means that “God desires mercy not sacrifice.”*

* Jamieson, Robert; A.R. Fausset; and David Brown. "Commentary on Luke 10." . Blue Letter Bible. 19 Feb 2000. 2011. 22 Sep 2011. http://www.blueletterbible.org/commentaries/comm_view.cfm?AuthorID=7&contentID=2889&commInfo=6&topic=Luke&ar=Luk_10_30 >

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Scripture References:

Main Characters:

Story Summary:

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Word Search

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