

Bible Lesson for Sunday, July 24, 2022:

Luke 10: 30-37

³⁰ In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. ³² So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii^[e] and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

³⁶ "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" ³⁷ The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him."

Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

In our 3rd and final lesson on the Good Samaritan, we want to learn about how Jesus wants us to treat others based on this story?

In this story, the least likely person to help the Jewish man was a Samaritan. He went far and beyond anything that could have been expected. He was not looking for a reward or attention. Instead, he did the kind and wonderful act of caring for this man, a person he did not know. This story teaches that Jesus wants us to treat everyone, whether we know them or not, as our neighbor. So, who is my neighbor? The answer is everyone we encounter. Jesus wants us to treat everyone the way the Good Samaritan treated the Jewish man.

Challenge this week: Learn to be a neighbor by being kind to everyone you meet. Start at home by being nice to your family members. Being a "good Samaritan" begins at home. Ask them if they need help with anything, forgive when they mistreat you, and show compassion and kindness when they are suffering.

See you next week!

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