

The Parable of the Good Samaritan

Luke 10:25-37 (NRSV)

²⁵ Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Who are the characters in the story?

What scenes are represented in this story?

What does the lawyer want to know?

How does Jesus respond to this question?

How does the use of the term "neighbor" shift from the question in verse 29 to Jesus' response in verse 36?

What do we know about who a Samaritan was at this time?

Consider whether the man in the ditch might have been seen as dead so maybe the priest and the Levite did not want to defile themselves with a dead body.

Consider what issues the man in the ditch, presumably Jewish, likely faced in receiving help from a hated Samaritan.

Consider what God is like in this story.

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The Story of the Good Samaritan

One day,  a man who was traveling  was attacked by a group of . The  took his clothes, beat him up and left him lying half dead by the side of the . A priest  came by, but when he saw the  lying beside the  he passed by on the other side.

A Levite also came by and **LOOK**ed on him but he too passed on by without **STOP**ping. A Samaritan  came by and had  compassion on him. The  helped the  and put him on his own  and took him to a n  and took care of him. To read the

story of the Good Samaritan, see Luke 10:25-37.

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1. Why was the road so dangerous to travel?



2. Draw a line to connect which order the people went by the hurt man: Levite Samaritan Priest

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3. What did the Samaritan man do for the hurt man?



4. Where did the Samaritan take the hurt man?



5. Who does Jesus say to love?

