

JESUS TEACHES US TO CARE FOR OTHERS

One day, Jesus told this story. He said, “Once there was a man who was going from Jerusalem to Jericho. On the way, robbers stopped him. They beat him up, took his things, and left him almost dead.

“Soon an important man came by, but he did not stop to help the hurt man. Later, another man came down the road. He did not help, either—he just kept walking.

“But then, a Samaritan—a man who was from a different place—came by. When the Samaritan man saw the hurt man, he felt sorry for the man. He cleaned up the man’s wounds, put him on his donkey, and took him to an inn. He told the innkeeper to take care of the hurt man. He even gave the innkeeper money to pay for the hurt man to stay there.”

At the end of the story, Jesus asked who was a neighbor to the hurt man. Someone said, “The one who showed mercy to him!”

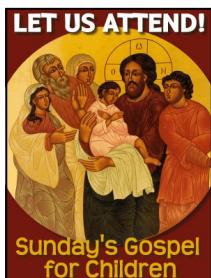
Jesus said, “Go help other people and show them mercy just like the Samaritan did!”



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WHAT DO YOU THINK?

1. In the story that Jesus told, what happened to the man who was traveling?
2. Did the important man help the hurt man? Who did?
3. Was the Samaritan a good neighbor to the hurt man? How do you know?
4. This story is sometimes called “The Good Samaritan.” Who was good in the story?
5. What can you do to be like the Good Samaritan?



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