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THE GOOD SAMARITAN

Printable Lesson Kit



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LESSON OVERVIEW

THE GOOD SAMARITAN MIGHTY MESSAGE

The Good Samaritan is one of Jesus' most famous Bible stories, teaching how a loving Christian should behave. This lesson will teach that we need to treat every human being like someone worthy of love and attention. And if we want to be God's helpers, we have to pray lots for God's love.

How to Use the Lesson Kit:

This kit includes a variety of activities that you can select from to customize your perfect lesson. We suggest beginning with the Scripture Reading & Lesson followed by the Discussion Questions. From there, feel free to mix & match the activities to build your lesson plan based on the time you have allotted and the age level/interests of your kids.



WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Scripture Reading & Lesson
- Discussion Questions
- Craft
- Game
- Coloring Page
- Wordsearch
- Crossword Puzzle
- Learning Lookups Journaling
- Parent Handout
- Quiz
- Reference Sheet
- Certificate of Completion
- Answer Page



MATERIALS LIST:

- Crayons, markers, or colored pencils
- Glue sticks
- Scissors
- Bouncy ball (game)
- Pencils or pens
- Bibles (electronic or hardcopy)

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SCRIPTURE & LESSON

EXCERPTS FROM LUKE 10:25-37 (NIV)

Read the following excerpts as shown (NIV translation), or read from your chosen Bible translation:



LUKE 10:25-37

²⁵ On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he asked, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?”

²⁶ “What is written in the Law?” he replied. “How do you read it?”

²⁷ He answered, “‘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, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’”

²⁸ “You have answered correctly,” Jesus replied. “Do this and you will live.”

²⁹ But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

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 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.”

Questions for Children about The Good Samaritan:

1. We often try to put ourselves in the shoes of the Good Samaritan. But sometimes it gives insight to put ourselves in the shoes of the man who was robbed. Imagine you are him, and describe some of the things you feel, having been robbed and abused? **Scared, in pain, hopeless, praying someone would help.** Who has helped you at a time when you were either in pain for feeling hopeless? How do you feel toward that person? Did you remember to say “thank you?”
2. A Levite and a priest turned away and did not bother to help the person. These were supposed to be devoted members of the religious orders of the day. Why do you think they didn’t help? What were their excuses? **Someone else would come along.... Too busy... Too afraid the robbers were still around... Didn’t want to get involved...** If you were injured, in pain, and crying out for help, how would you feel about the people ignoring you? **They are selfish and should help.**
3. Jesus defined a “neighbor” as someone in need. Did the Good Samaritan know the victim previously? **No.** Did it appear they went to the same temple or synagogue or lived in the same neighborhood? **The scripture doesn’t say.** What does this tell us about who qualifies as our “neighbor?” **Anyone in need.**



TEACHER’S MIGHTY MESSAGE

We won’t often find somebody injured on the side of the road like the Good Samaritan did. To be Good Samaritans in our own time, it will often require us to see people hurting on the inside—like people who get bullied or picked on in school. It seems very hard to come to the aid of someone who is hurting on the inside. We want to be nice. But we don’t want to extend kind behavior, then discover that the reward for our goodness is that we get picked on too. We want to be good - so long as it is not at any expense to ourselves. We want to be good - so long as it doesn’t cost us anything.

What if we help somebody the bullies have picked on? Might they pick on you next if you help? Sometimes the work we do here on planet earth is not rewarded right away. It’s a little like planting seeds. If you stand up for someone being picked on, the guilty kids might not pat you on the back and say, “Nice job!” But surely there will be one. There may be two who will think, “I wish I was more like her (him) than like me. Maybe next time I’ll be the good one!”

And you may not see it, the time that person tries to be good. But it truly happens. You’ve planted a seed. And a whole bush can bloom—a person who will secretly never forget you, and will eventually try to be good all the time!

And of course, there’s God who sees all and never forgets a single good deed.

That’s one of the best rewards of being a Good Samaritan. Not only will you do something pleasing to God and make yourself feel good. But that person you helped will remember you when he is 30, 40, 50, 70, maybe even 90. In that person’s memory, you will live in their heart.

And you will have a special friend in heaven as well!



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PRINTABLE CRAFT

THE GOOD SAMARITAN CUT & COLOR



MATERIALS:

- White paper
- Coloring utensils
- Scissors
- Glue stick



CUT PHASE:

Cut out the various components of “Pieces” template.



PRINT PHASE:

On white paper, print the following files for the craft that you will be assembling (all pages follow these instructions):

- Background Page
- Pieces Page (color or black and white)
- Mock-Up Page



PASTE PHASE:

Paste the components onto the colored Background Page over the dotted outline, using the Mock-Up Page for guidance.



COLOR PHASE:

Color the Background Page with the coloring utensils of your choice.

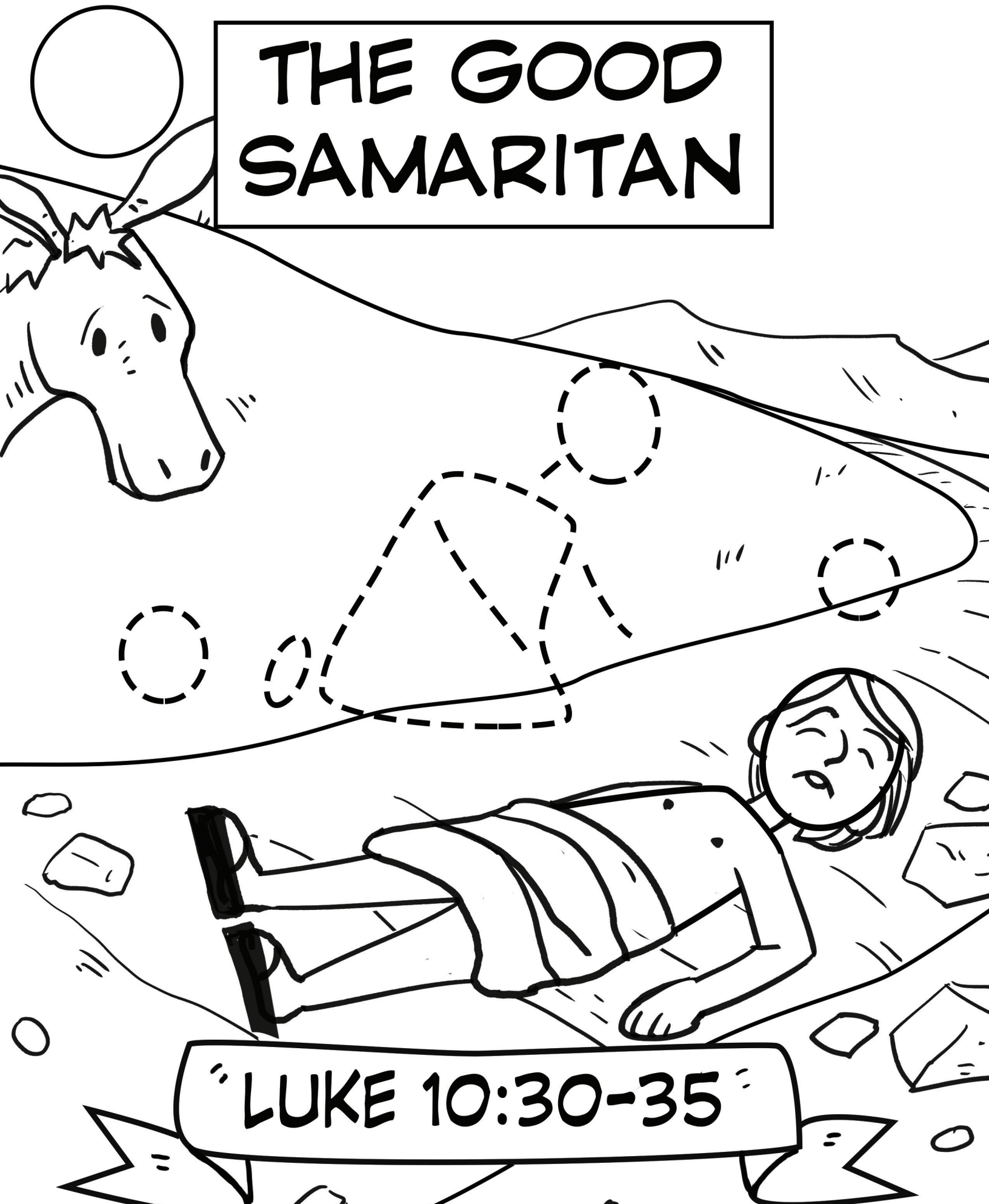
Suggestions for Making this Craft a Success with Younger Kids:

Younger children might need a little extra help to make their crafts look great, especially when it comes to using scissors!

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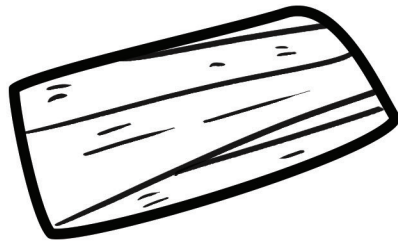


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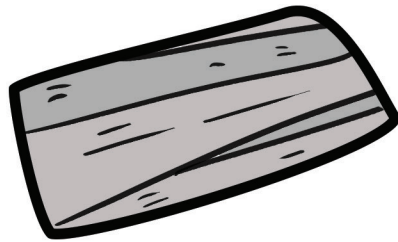
WINE



OIL



GOOD SAMARITAN



BANDAGES



WINE



OIL



The Good Samaritan was **Generous**

IN OUR OWN LIVES:

Have you ever seen somebody getting picked on or bullied? Have you ever seen somebody get hurt, and their injury was bad enough that they cried? Pretend you are seeing someone crying or wanting to cry from the situations above. Write down what you will do to help:

Look up Luke 10:36-37. Jesus asked the crowd about the three men who saw the robbery victim. He asked which one behaved the best. They answered, "The one who showed mercy." What Jesus told them fits in the boxes below. Write it out:

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GAME

MY GOOD SAMARITAN PLEDGE

Kids can always practice their Good-Samaritan behavior on their parents or siblings. As most quarrels are in the home, it might be a welcome change! Use a bouncy ball and pass it with pledges to get their minds thinking about how to “play out” the week in a Good-Samaritan way!



MATERIALS:

Bouncy ball



INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Have students lie down on the floor and shut their eyes. Ask them to think of some chore that parents would be grateful for. After around 20 seconds of silence, have them think of some way to be Good Samaritans to their sisters or brothers. After another 20 seconds, have them think of some people in school for whom they could be Good Samaritans.
2. Once they've had this time to reflect, have them rise to their feet. Give the ball to one student.
3. That student will have to say a Good-Samaritan deed he could do, most likely one of the ones he thought of while reflecting. He can only hold onto the ball for three seconds without speaking. What he speaks must be an understandable good deed.
4. The student may then bounce the ball to any student of his choosing. That student must catch the ball and, within three seconds, say a Good-Samaritan deed he could do, then bounce the ball to another student, and so on.
5. If a student is being missed over and over, instruct the student who has the ball to throw it to him.
6. Instead of eliminating losers, this game will call out winners. The first student to say three good deeds without stumbling gets to come out of the circle. The first three to come out are the winners.

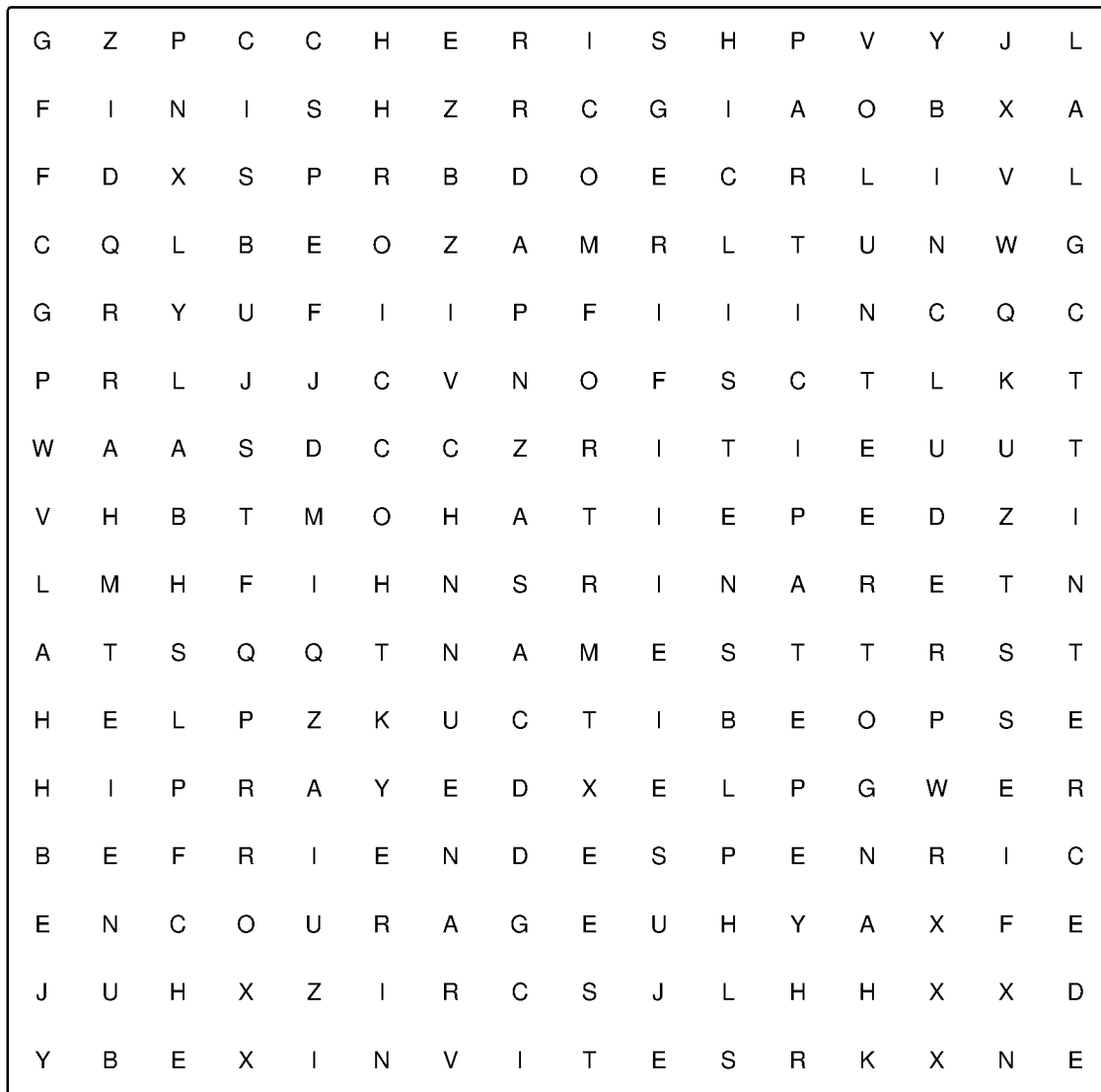
CONCLUSION:

This game resembled how we have to behave if we want to be Good Samaritans. We have to think ahead for the opportunities God has given. We also have to be on the alert, because we don't know when that opportunity will arise. Finally, we have to act quickly, before our lazy side has a chance to say, "I'll do it another time!" NOW is always the time to share God's love.



WORD SEARCH

Being a Good Samaritan is one way we can show God's love. Below are words that apply to showing God's love every day in lots of ways. Find them in the word search and think of how you can practice them!



Words to Find:

BEFRIEND
CARE
CHERISH
COMFORT
DONATE

ENCOURAGE
FINISH
GRATITUDE
HELP
INCLUDE

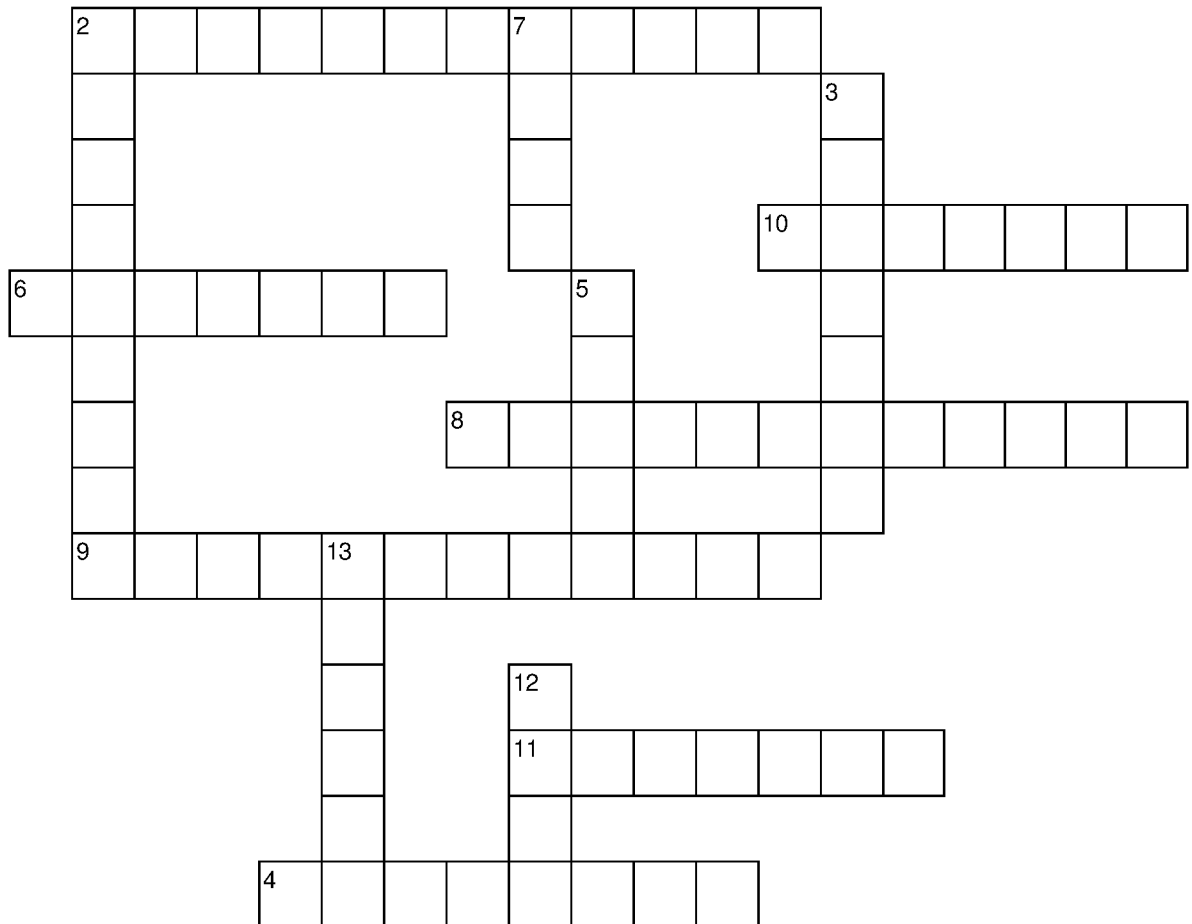
INTERCEDE
INVITE
LISTEN
PARTICIPATE
PRAY

SHARE
SMILE
SUPPORT
VALUE
VOLUNTEER



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Use your 'All About LOVE Reference Sheet' (page 17) to know what the Bible says about LOVE and how to be a Good Samaritan. Fill in the crossword:



Across

2. Let love and this never leave you
4. God does not ever stop loving his...
6. Do not seek this or bear a grudge
8. To love God is the greatest of these
9. God does not forsake, tho he may be...
10. Even these can love those who love them
11. Speaker in the Genesis 20:13 quote

Down

2. Revelation says we should not practice...
3. Human love loves only family and...
5. God's love is bigger than this kind
7. God's love extends to those not easy to...
12. God saves by his right...
13. Whosoever believes will not...



Scriptures to Read: Luke 10:30-37



This Week We Learned About ...

...the Good Samaritan, one of Jesus' most famous Bible stories, which teaches how a loving Christian should behave. We need to treat every human being like someone worthy of love and attention. And if we want to be God's helpers, we have to pray lots for God's love.



✓ Questions for Kids:

1. How many people passed the wounded man before the Samaritan stopped? **A. two**
2. The Samaritan even gave the man his own_____. **A. Donkey**
3. What word is used to describe the Samaritans behavior toward the wounded man? **A. Mercy.**

✓ Dinner Table Discussion:

How do you think the man felt when people were passing him by? How would you have felt?

What is the nicest thing anyone has ever done for you? Talk about how you felt when it happened.

Scripture Notes (tuck in lunchboxes, tape to mirrors, etc.):



After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world."

John 6:14



And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:19



Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds!

Luke 12:24

LOVE

AT-A-GLANCE

FIRST

First time the subject appears in the Bible:

Genesis 20:13: And when God had me wander from my father's household, I said to her, 'This is how you can show your **love** to me: Everywhere we go, say of me, "He is my brother."

LAST

Last time the subject appears in the Bible:

Revelation 22:15: Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who **loves** and practices falsehood.

THREE VERY IMPORTANT OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES ON THIS SUBJECT:

- **Proverbs 3:3-4:** Let Love and faithfulness never leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. Then you will win favor and a good name in the sight of God and man.
- **Genesis 20:13:** And when God had me wander from my father's household, I said to her, 'This is how you can show your Love to me: Everywhere we go, say of me, "He is my brother."
- **Psalms 17:7:** Show me the wonders of your great Love, you who save by your right hand those who take refuge in you from their foes.

THREE VERY IMPORTANT NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES ON THIS SUBJECT:

- **Matthew 22:37-39:** Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.'
- **Luke 6:32:** If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. Change in the subject's nature from the Old and New Testament:
- **John 3:16:** For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

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God's Important Messages about Love:

God does not ever stop loving his children. He may be disappointed and correct them but he will never desert or forsake his children.

God's love is bigger and better than our human love. Our love only wants to extend itself to those we find easy to love, like family members and friends. God's love will extend to those who are not easy to love and who are not acting loving toward us.

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BIBLE STORIES SHOWING LOVE:

- Luke 15 is a great resource for God's Love, containing both the Parable of the Lost Sheep (Luke 15:3-7), The Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32). The Parable of the Lost Coin, a lesser known parable about God's love, falls between the two (Luke 15:8-10).
- Of course the ultimate story of love is Jesus' death on the cross. However, the explanations provided are in other passages that aren't imbedded in the story. John 3 contains not only the "God so loved the world" famous verse (16) but many others that bring understanding about the depths of God's love.



LEARNING LOOKUPS



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Lookup: 1 Corinthians 13:3 and write it down:

Lookup: John 13:35 and write it down:

Do you ever feel that you don't act Christian enough? What is the only thing you have to do more of? How can you show more love to others?

Create a prayer below. Speak to God and write it. Ask God to give you more empathy or sympathy or the ability to put yourself in other people's shoes. Ask for a bigger heart in your own words.

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QUIZ



Our Bible is filled with great news for those who believe! Here are scriptures that people look up a lot when they either need a Good Samaritan or want to be one themselves. Match them with the speakers using the Bible lookups.

GOOD NEWS BEARERS IN THE BIBLE

1. Who said, “Go into all the world, and proclaim the Good News to the whole creation.” (Mark 16:15)?

2. Who said, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” (Luke 3:16)?

3. Who said to John the Apostle, “These words are trustworthy and true. The Lord, the God who inspires the prophets, sent his angel to show his servants the things that must soon take place.” (Revelation 22:6)?

4. Who said, “I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food.” (Genesis 1:29-30)?

5. Who said, “Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me.” (Psalm 23)?

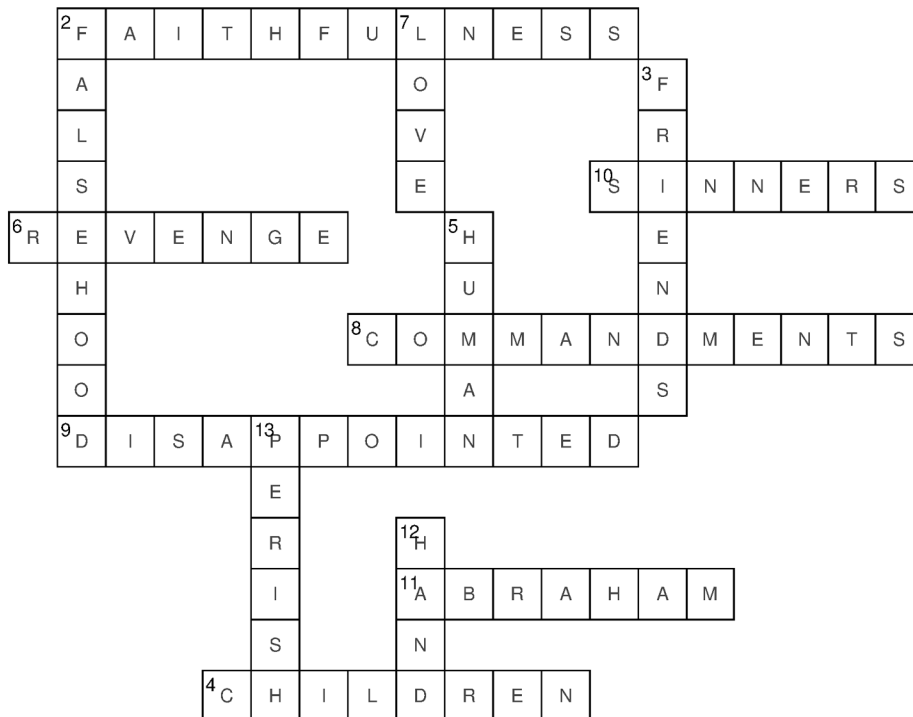
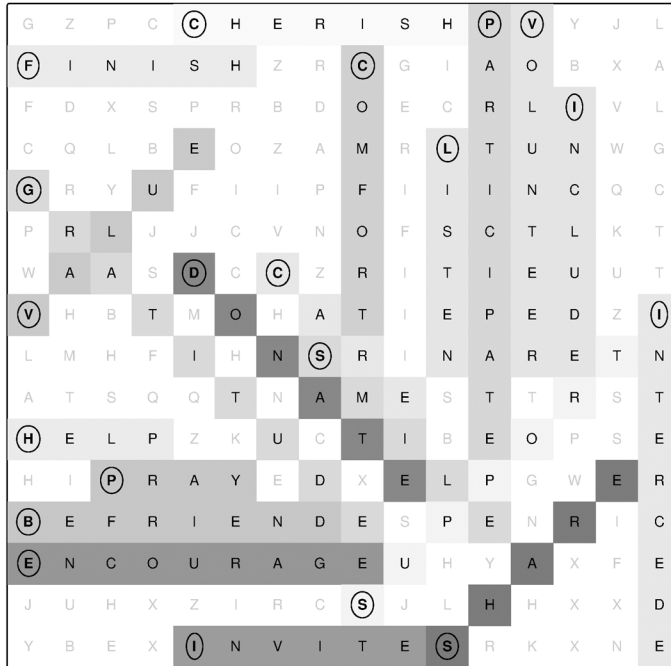
6. Who prayed, “Lord, you are the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel. Prove that you are the God of Israel and that I am your servant. Show these people that you commanded me to do all these things. Lord, answer my prayer so these people will know that you, LORD, are God and that you will change their minds.” (1 Kings 18:36-37)

WORD BANK:

God
David
An Angel

Elijah the Prophet
Jesus
John the Baptist

ANSWER KEY



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CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION



NAME:

DATE: