



SPARK

Week 19 - Jesus Teaches Love

Week of Feb. 22 Focus:

"Teacher what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Luke 10: 25

After this time together your child will be able to do/know (one or all depending on their age):

- A man was hurt by robbers and two 'holy' men would not help.
- But then a Samaritan (from Samaria & the hurt Jewish man's enemy) came and helped the man.
- We are called to love everyone.

Adult Pre-work (15 min)

- Watch Lesson 19 preparation video at saint-max.org/spark
- Watch: [God's Story: The Good Samaritan](#)



Opening Prayer

PRAY

+ Father in Heaven, we thank you for sending us Jesus to show us how to live. Thank you for the many stories he told so that we can learn how to live good lives. Help us to learn from this parable today. Give us eyes to see those who are hurting around us. Amen. +

Family Connection

SHARE

As with all of Jesus parables (stories that teach) there are many levels to this story as we have been learning. The literal is that a man was injured. Others passed by thinking they were too important (or the man was unimportant) to help. A Samaritan (the man's enemy) came and helped. He even took him to an inn and paid for him to have food and shelter. Be sure to check out Bishop Barron's homily in Dig Deeper! His interpretation of who the Good Samaritan really is will astound you! It did me!! He goes far beyond just the literal, moral or allegorical aspects of this parable. He delves into the Anagogical, looking to heaven, meaning.

Share of a time when you were a Good Samaritan. Or you were the recipient of some unexpected kindness from an unexpected person?



LEARN

Read the Bible Story



This story can be found in Luke 10:25-37 (Page 64-65 in Picture Bible Stories)

- I wonder what the injured man felt like when the people would not stop to help him?
- (For older student) Why do you think he was traveling away from Jerusalem (holy city) to Jericho (city of sin)? Do we sometimes leave our values and turn to lesser ones?
- Why do you think the men would not help the injured man?
- I wonder what he felt when the Samaritan stopped and then took him to the inn to heal?
- I wonder what the Samaritan was feeling to help his enemy?
- Where did he take him to get healed? (*The Inn*) Where do we go to get healing? (*Doctor, but spiritually we come to Church for Reconciliation and for nourishment we come to Mass for the Eucharist*)

Wondering Questions: I wonder what this Bible story is about? I wonder what God is teaching us through this story? (*Jesus is teaching us that everyone is deserving of our love and kindness. Every person is made in God's image and deserves dignity. He is showing us how to treat people.*)

If you or your child needs to Dig Deeper or watch the story:

The Good Samaritan Preschool Lesson on being kind (10 min) Starts with kindness/unkindness scenes with puppets, a kindness song and ends with a story of helping a new friend.

Move Along with The Good Samaritan story. (5 min) Great for those who need to move while the listen!

The Meaning of the Good Samaritan parable (2 min) For older students/adults

LIVE YOUR FAITH

This week as a family



1. Be on the look out this week for a way to be a Good Samaritan!
2. Use your Bible figures to retell the story.
3. **Draw a picture or write a sentence or two about anything you learned from this story. (Use an angel bordered Homework Template)**

PRAY + Jesus, we know you want us to love all people. Please help us to treat them with kindness especially _____. Help us to see people in need this week and show us a way to help. Amen +

Dig Deeper!

Bishop Robert Barron homily on the Good Samaritan (12 min) WOW!!! Take the time to watch this! Incredible way to look at this parable!

The Meaning of the Good Samaritan by That Theology Guy (6 min)



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