

PRAYER

Dear Jesus, you are my Good Samaritan. You provide for me and care for me. Help me also to help my neighbor in need. Amen.

Memory

1. "Do not murder" (Exodus 20:13).
2. "Be kind to one another and tenderhearted, and forgive one another as God in Christ has forgiven you" (Ephesians 4:32).

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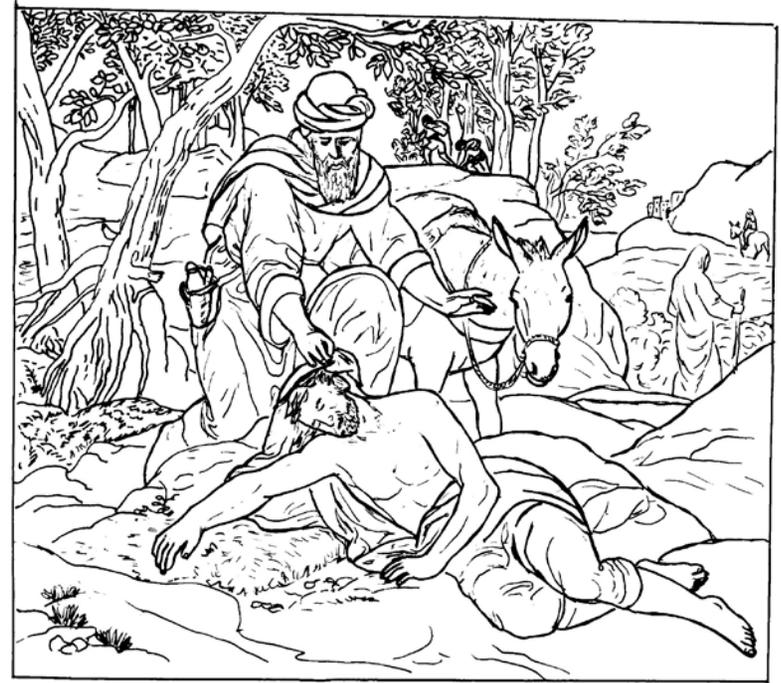
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Fifth Commandment *The Good Samaritan*



God says to you in the fifth commandment,
"Do not murder"
(Exodus 20:13).

THIS MEANS you must do what you are able
to help your neighbor in need.

Bible Reading: Luke 10:25-37

Questions and Answers For Understanding This Bible Story

1. What happened to the man on the road? Who was a good neighbor to him and who was not?

As the man was traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho some robbers hurt him and left him in great need. A priest and a Levite both saw the man, but they did not help. They were not good neighbors to the man. A Samaritan saw the man and took care of his needs. The Samaritan was a good neighbor to the man.

2. In what way did the priest and Levite sin?

God says to you in His Bible, “Love your neighbor as yourself” (Romans 13:9, Luke 10:27). The priest and Levite both saw the man in need, but they did not care for him. They broke the fifth commandment by not helping the man.

3. Who is your neighbor?

Your neighbors are all around you. God has placed many people into our lives in order for us to love and care for them. That is what the Samaritan did for the man on the road. God also says in His Bible, “Love your enemies” (Matthew 5:44). This means that even your enemy is your neighbor!

a. What are some needs your neighbor might have?

This Samaritan found a man who was hurt and needed help. Your neighbor might sometimes feel hungry, thirsty, or sick. Sometimes your neighbor might need help with chores or other work. Or perhaps your neighbor is lonely or sad and simply would like some company.

b. How can you show love for your neighbor?

Talk to your mom or dad, or someone else you know and trust, when you want to help your neighbor. This is especially important! You can show love by helping your neighbor, speaking kindly to him, and praying for him.

c. How well have you done this?

We have all seen people in need, but have not taken the time to help. Many times we feel more concerned about our needs than our neighbor's needs. We all break the Fifth Commandment by not loving our neighbor as ourselves.

4. Instead of comparing yourself to the Priest, Levite, or Samaritan, compare yourself to the beaten man.

a. In what way have others broken the fifth commandment against you?

Maybe you have felt lonely and no one was your friend, or you were afraid and no one was there for you. Maybe you felt sad and no one comforted you. Perhaps people have laughed at you. There may be many ways that people have not shown love toward you. They, too, have broken the fifth commandment.

b. When you compare yourself to the beaten man, how does the Good Samaritan now compare to your Lord Jesus?

The Good Samaritan attended to the man's needs, just as Jesus gives you all that you need. The Good Samaritan fully paid the price for the man's recovery. Jesus also paid a great price for your life by dying on the cross for your sins and promising you that you will rise to eternal life with Him forever. Whenever you feel lonely or sad, or when you have some other need, think of Jesus. He is a Good Samaritan to you. He loves you, cares for you, and will never forget you.