

Overview - Lesson Three

Wow Theme Verse:

I can do all things because Christ gives me the strength.
Philippians 4:13 NLV

Key Word: Help

Giving yourself to support the needs of others.

Message: God Gives us Help!

Lesson Verse:

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." – Romans 8:28 NIV

Story:

Paraphrased from Luke 10:25-37 - The Good Samaritan No matter our differences, God calls us to help one another.

A man was traveling from Jerusalem to Jericho. He was beaten, robbed, and left to die on the side of the road. A priest came along the road and looked at the man. Then he passed by on the other side of the road. Later, a Levite came along, but also just passed by the beaten man. Finally, a Samaritan came to the man who had been hurt. He felt bad for him and showed kindness to him. The Good Samaritan picked the man up, put him on his donkey, and took him to an inn. Not only did he take him to the inn, but he also paid for all his needs. There were a total of three men who saw the beaten man on the side of the road, yet only one who showed him kindness.



Go Deeper - Lesson Three

Today's word of the day is HELP!

We heard today the story of the Good Samaritan from Luke 10:30-37. After a man was attacked, beaten, and robbed, three people saw him lying on the side of the road, but only one stopped to **help** him: a Samaritan.

To understand this story, you've got to understand how the folks who heard Jesus tell this story felt about Samaritans: they were the WORST. Think of the very last person in the world you would want to get **help** from, and go a little lower. That's how Jesus' listeners would have felt about Samaritans.

...but here in this story, the one who offered **help** to the beaten man was just that: a Samaritan.

Together as a family, think of a new way to tell this story. Use modern-day people and places to imagine the story in a new light. Who would be your Samaritan? Who might you think could **help** you, but passes by on the other side of the road?

In verse 36, Jesus flips the story over completely. Instead of answering the original question ("Who is my neighbor?"), Jesus asks, "Which of these three would you say was a neighbor to the man who was attacked?"

Instead of looking around the world trying to figure out who we should count as our neighbors, Jesus is telling us to look inward and become good neighbors ourselves. To everyone. Everywhere. All the time.

Work together on memorizing today's key verse: "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." – Romans 8:28

Can you com	e up with FIV	'E different w	ays you can o	ffer h	help this week?
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Take a moment to pray for **help**, both for your family and for our world. Pray to become **helpers**, too – wherever God may send you.



Go Deeper - Lesson Three Game Activity

How do you make it through an obstacle course without seeing where you're going? With help, of course!

For this game, all you need is a way to blindfold one participant at a time. For the obstacle course, use simple challenges: walk around a chair/rock, climb over a couch/toy...whatever you have around you, you can use!

When the blindfolded participant is ready, spin them around at one end of the course. Then, have one of the non-blindfolded participants shout out directions to them. Sounds easy, right?

Well, what if you have MANY voices yelling at you what to do next? What if some of the voices are trying to trick you?? Give the blindfolded participant ONE voice to trust; the rest of the voices can be shouting out false directions. The blindfolded one will need to FOCUS and listen only to the voice telling the truth.

Have fun!

Go Deeper - Lesson Three Craft Activity

PAPER BRACELET

Click the link to view the craft video for lesson two: https://youtu.be/8xMfRTJhrd

Materials Needed:

- Two 8x11 sheets of patterned paper
- Scissors
- Black Marker





Quiz - Episode Three

- Who won the spin the host game today?
- What is the word for the day?
- Which fruit did Mr. Scott use in his trick?
- Fill in the blank
 "And we know that in all ______ God works for the good of those who
 _____ him, who have been called according to his purpose." –
 Romans 8:28 NIV
- From the story and lesson today, who is our neighbor?



