

Jesus tells about a good Samaritan.

Luke 10:25-37

Jesus told this story: A man was going from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he got hurt by some robbers. The robbers took everything the man had and beat him up. Then they went away, leaving him hurt and almost dead.

A priest happened to be walking down the same road. When he saw the man, he passed by on the other side of the road. A Levite (a helper in the Temple) also walked by and saw the hurt man. The Levite didn't help the man either. But then, a Samaritan man came to where the man was. The Samaritan saw that the man was Jewish. He knew that Jews and Samaritans did not like each other. But the Samaritan stopped to help. He bandaged the hurt man's sores and put the man on his own donkey. The Samaritan took him to an inn. He even paid the innkeeper to take care of the hurt man!

Jesus asked, "Who was a neighbor to the man who got hurt?" The one who was a neighbor was the one who helped the hurt man. Jesus wants everyone to help others the same way.