



Love – Lesson 2

Memory Verse: 1 John 4:19 “We LOVE because God first loved us.”

Key Point: God loves me!

Bible Verse: Luke 10:25-27

SCHEDULE:

Center Time

around 10 minutes

Help the individuals transition by actively engaging them from the beginning. Try setting up centers to color, play with blocks and Play-Doh, or do puzzles.

Memory Verse

Use the Memory Verse page and images to go over the memory verse by placing them in the correct order on the board (personal or pocket chart).

Activity/Coloring Sheet (optional)

Big Group Time (optional)

Lesson

- Read through the lesson below. For a shortened version, just read the bolded words.
- Within the lesson, there are numbers that correspond to the story point pictures. For example, (1) corresponds to the first story point and picture, and so on.
- Allow individuals to place pictures on the board (personal or pocket chart) in sequential order.
- Key Point
- Use the review questions to check for understanding.

Video (optional)

Repeat Key Point & Memory Verse

Use the activities below for repetition of the story points, key points, and memory verse.

- Act out the Story.
- Bean Bag Toss: restate part of the story, memory verse, or key point when tossing.
- Hangman: play hangman using key points or parts of the story.

Activity/Coloring Sheet (optional)

Five Finger Gospel (optional)

LESSON:

This is a story from Luke in **the Bible** (1). The Bible tells us that the smart man still wants to try and trick Jesus, so he asks Jesus, “But who is my neighbor?” Jesus answers the smart man by telling this story:

One day, **a man** who was **traveling** from a far away city, suddenly **saw a group of thieves** (2). **The thieves** took all of his money and everything else he had, and then they **beat him up and left him** lying **by the side of the road** (3).

As he lay there in pain and misery, **he heard footsteps** (4). “Ah! Someone is coming,” he thought. “I hope he will help me! I hope it isn’t one of the same men who beat me up, coming back to find out if I am dead.” He waited and listened for a long time.

It happened to be **a pastor** who **came by** (5), but when he saw the man lying beside the road, **the pastor crossed to the other side of the road because he was in a hurry** (6) and didn’t want to be bothered. **The injured man** was certainly glad that it wasn’t one of the robbers, but he surely **wished somebody would** come along to **help him** (7). The pastor did not show love to the injured man and did not help him.

After a little while, **he heard footsteps** (8). He wanted to call out and get the attention of the person walking by, but he was in so much pain that all he could do was cry. “Maybe this person will see me and help me,” he thought. **This time, the man** who passed by **was a Levite**. A Levite was **a well-known teacher in a temple** (9). The injured man thought surely the Levite would want to help him. But, when **the Levite** saw the man lying on the side of the road, he looked down, then turned his head, then walked right by and **ignored the poor, hurting man** (10). So, both the pastor and the Levite saw the injured man and did not help him.

Key Point: God loves me!

Review Questions

Group A	Group B
Where is this story from? (the Bible)	What did the thieves take from the hurt man? (Money, everything!)
Who was on the side of the road? (a man)	How many people passed by the hurt man? (Two.)
How many people passed by the hurt man? (two)	What two men passed by? (A pastor and a Levite!)
Did the pastor stop to help the injured man? (no)	Did these men love their neighbor by passing by without helping? (No.)
Did the Levite stop to help the injured man? (no)	Who does Jesus say our neighbor is? (Everyone.)
Did these men love their neighbor by passing by without helping? (no)	