



Love – Lesson 3

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:

It wasn't long until **he heard** ANOTHER set of **footsteps** (1). He wanted to believe that this person would reach down to help him, but **he had** already **been passed by twice** (2).

The man who was **traveling on the road** this time **was a stranger from Samaria** (3). **People didn't like Samaritans** (4). The hurt man thought that it was very unlikely that the Samaritan would help him. However, as **the Samaritan** passed by, he **noticed the man** who was **lying** beaten and **hurt on the side of the road** (5). **He wanted to help** (6). The Samaritan got off of his donkey and bent down next to the man to get a closer look at the injuries. Gently, he put oil over the man's wounds. Next, **the Samaritan** gently **bandaged the hurt man's wounds** (7). After the Samaritan put oil on and bandaged the hurt man's wounds, **he** carefully **put the man on his** very own **donkey and took him to the nearest hotel** (8). The Samaritan stayed with the hurt man overnight and took care of him.

The next morning, the Samaritan had to leave and knew he couldn't take the hurt man with him. When the Samaritan paid the bill, he gave the innkeeper extra money, saying, "Take care of him, feed him, and make sure he has everything he needs. If he owes you any money after he gets well and leaves, write it down, and I will pay the bill the next time I come by." Then, the Samaritan left.

Jesus, after finishing the story, **asks** the smart man, "**Which of these three men was a neighbor** (9) to the stranger on the street: The pastor, Levite, or Samaritan?" The smart man, embarrassed that he failed at tricking Jesus, answers, "**The one who stopped and helped him** (10), the Good Samaritan." Jesus says, "That's right. Now YOU go and do the same."

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Review Questions

Group A	Group B
How many people stopped to help the hurt man? (One)	How did the Samaritan show love to the hurt man? (He bandaged his wounds and took him to the nearest hotel.)
Who stopped to help the hurt man? (A Samaritan)	Who is your neighbor? (Everyone.)
Where did the Samaritan take the hurt man? (A hotel)	How can we love our neighbors that we don't get along with? (We can love others because God first loves us and will give us the strength. We are to love all people, even if we don't always get along.)
Did the Samaritan act like a neighbor to the hurt man? (Yes)	What did Jesus say we should do at the end of the lesson? (GO and DO the same as the Samaritan man.)
Who is your neighbor? (Everyone)	Who does Jesus say our neighbor is? (Everyone.)
Did these men love their neighbor by passing by without helping? (no)	