

## LESSON 3 • Share/Serve

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## 1 Key Concepts

- Share/Serve as God's Steward.
- Teach the children the story of the Good Samaritan.
- Teach the children the love of Christ.
- Teach the children how to be a good neighbor.

## 2 Teacher Preparation

- Be ready to make a list on the board on how to be a good neighbor.
- Have card supplies ready for the children to make cards for a shut-in or for their neighbor.
- Be ready to read the story of the Good Samaritan.

## 3 Lesson

- Read the story of the Good Samaritan from the Arch book, The Story of the Good Samaritan written by Teresa Olive or read it from The Story Bible.
  - Talk to the children about the story.
  - How were the first two men not being good neighbors?
  - How was the Samaritan like Jesus?
- What did the Samaritan do for the hurt man?
  - He really took care of this man.
  - Did the Samaritan know the hurt man?
  - Why did the Samaritan man help the hurt man?
  - How should the Samaritan be an example for us?
- God says love your neighbor as yourself.
  - God sent Jesus to save us. He wants us to share that love with all people, those living next to us and those we don't even know.
- How can we help friends in our class?
  - Write examples on the board.
- How can we help people in our church?
  - Write examples on the board.
  - One thing we can all do is pray for those in our church.
  - We have people in our church that don't have anyone around them.
  - It would be nice if we would send them a picture or a card.
  - We can tell them that we are praying for them and learning about being a good neighbor.
- Sometimes we can only help so much because we are small.
  - We can always pray for our neighbors.
  - God gave us the ability to do that.



Luke 10:27

*He answered:  
 "Love the Lord your God  
 with all your heart  
 and with all your soul  
 and with all your strength  
 and with all you mind',  
 and, 'Love your neighbor  
 as yourself.'"*

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### 4 Conclusion

God wants us to have the love of Christ and to be a good neighbor to those we know and those we don't know. Take care of those around you and pray for them. We can't always help the way they need help, but we can always pray for those who need it. We are God's stewards.

### 5 Echo Prayer

Dear Lord,

Thank you for all of the gifts you have given us. Thank you for the gift of Jesus. Help us all to be good neighbors – even to those we don't know. Help us to pray for those that we can't help in any other way. Amen

### 6 Resources

- **Bible:** Luke 10:27
- **Engelbrecht, Edward A. and Pawlitz, Gail E. The Story Bible**  
The Good Samaritan.
- **Olive, Teresa. The Story of the Good Samaritan.** Arch book
- **Scholastic Children's Dictionary**
- **[http://dltk-bible.com/jesus/parables\\_4-puzzle.htm](http://dltk-bible.com/jesus/parables_4-puzzle.htm)**  
This is an online puzzle for the children to put together based on love your neighbor as yourself.
- **Modell, Frank. One Zillion Valentines**  
This book is about some boys who make valentines for others and in the end they make some money.
- **Pfister, Marcus. The Rainbow Fish**  
This story is about a fish with beautiful scales who finds out it is more beautiful to share.

### 7 Vocabulary

**Neighbor:** another human being, someone who lives next door to you or near to you.

### 8 Activity

Have the card supplies ready. Have the children make a card for a shut-in or for their neighbor. Have them write, "Jesus loves you" and "Love your neighbor as yourself" on the card someplace.