Getting Ready for Sunday!



Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 10:25-37

The Parable of the Good Samaritan



Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. '

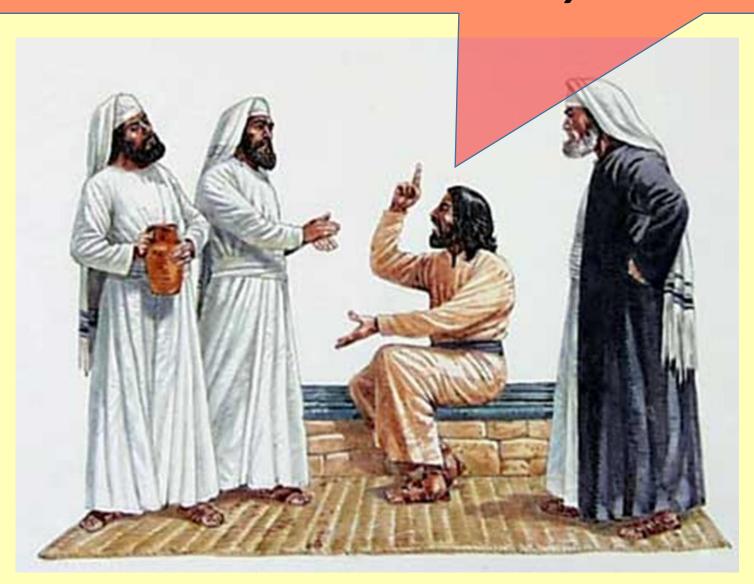
What is written in the law? What do you read there?

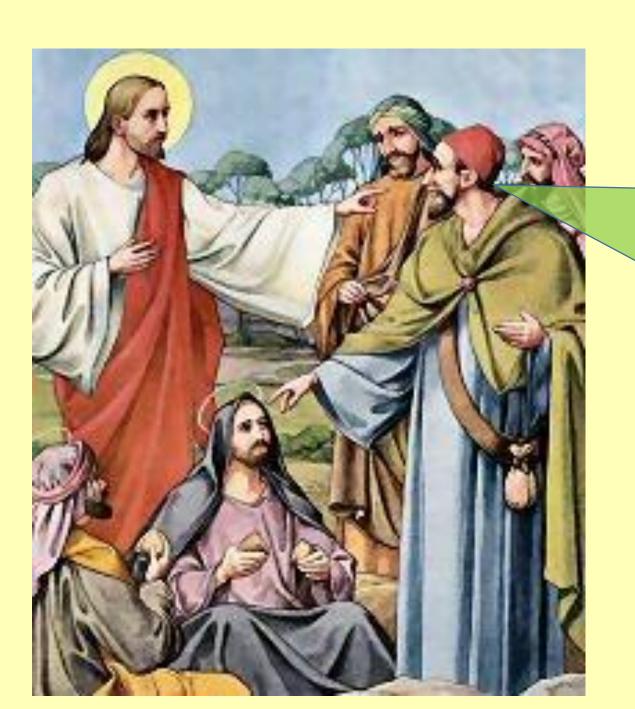
Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?



He said to him:

What is written in the law? What do you read there?





He answered:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.

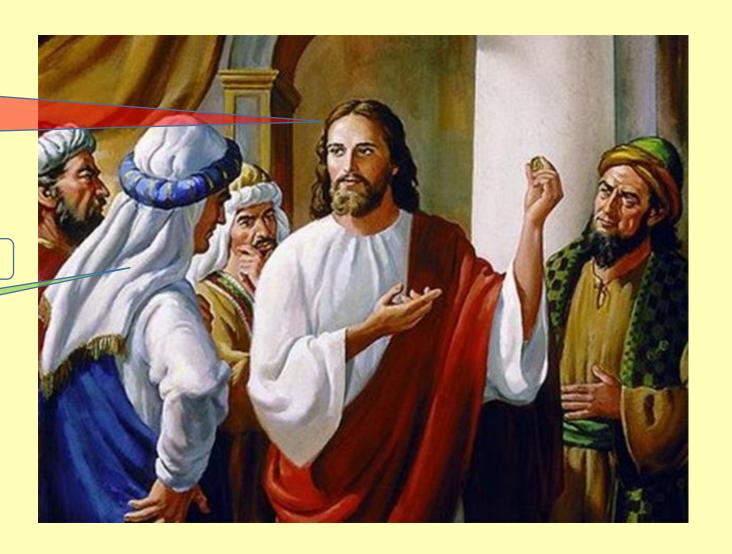
And he said to him:

You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.

'But wanting to justify himself, he asked:

Jesus

And who is my neighbour?



Jesus often tells stories to explain something to His followers. Stories which Jesus tells are called parables. The next part of this Sunday's Gospel gives an account of the parable of the Good Samaritan.

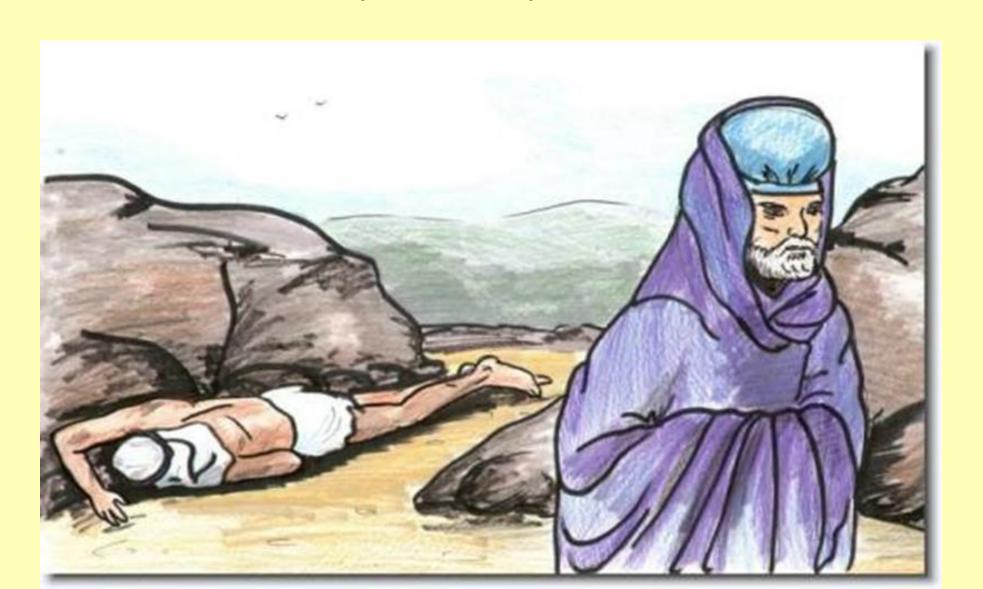
Jesus is telling this story to the priests, leaders and powerful people His time. He tells them a parable about powerful people who did not do the right thing for someone who was hurt.

Read the following parable and imagine how the priests and leaders might have felt as Jesus talked.

Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead.

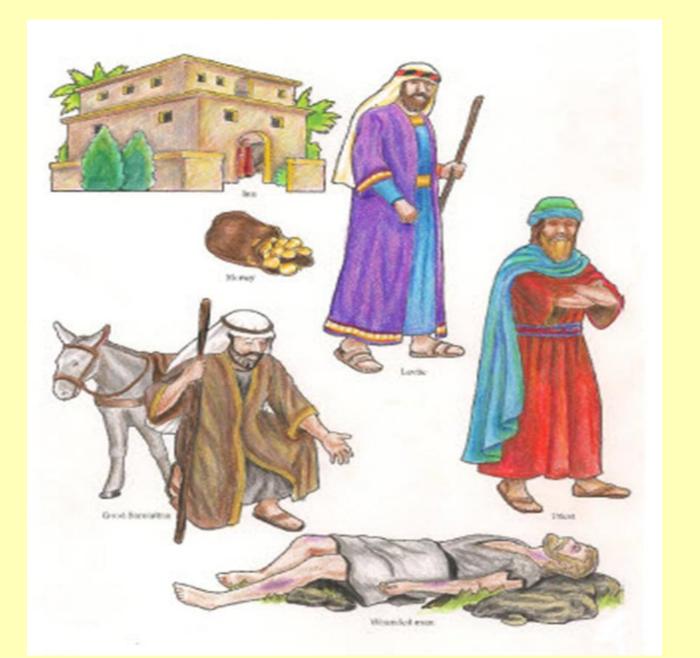


Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

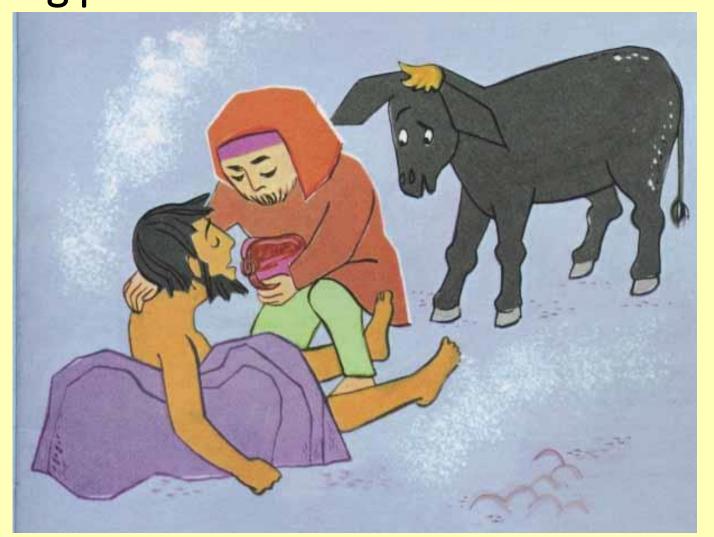


So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by

on the other side.



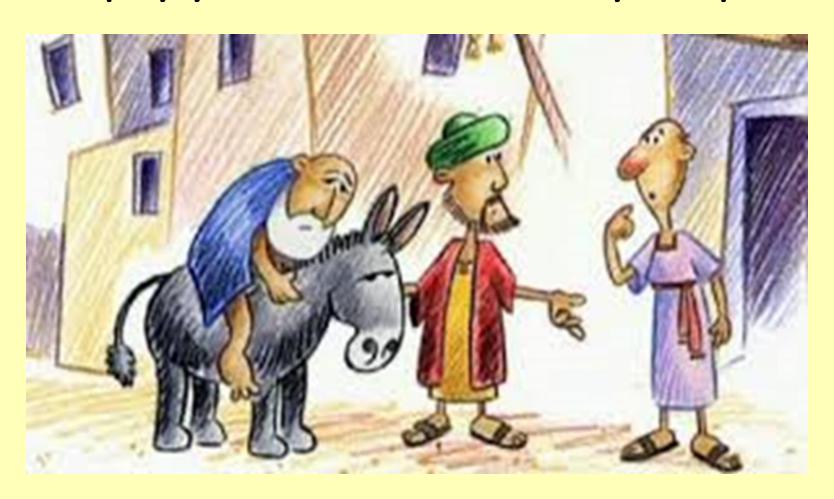
But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them.



Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

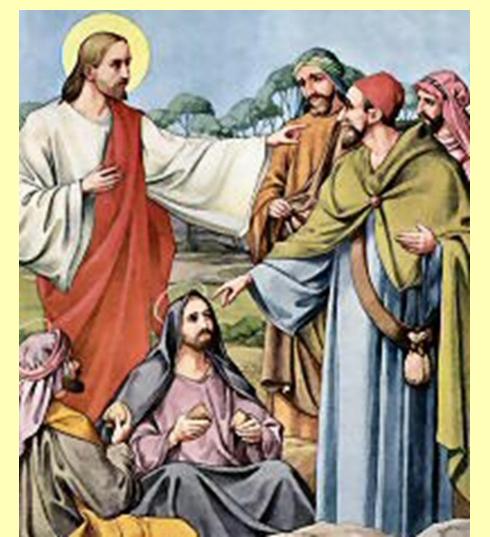


The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend."



Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

Imagine you are one of those powerful people. What message is Jesus giving you?



What is Jesus asking us to do through this parable?

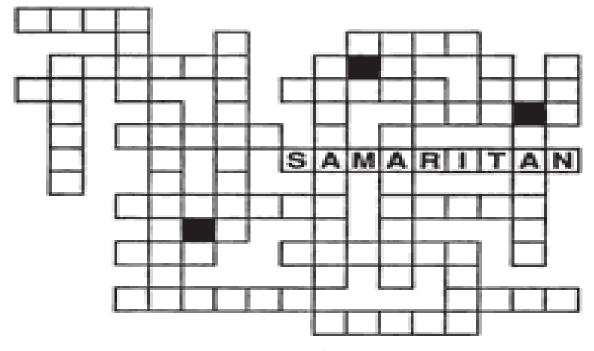
You might like to print the word search based on the Parable of the Good Samaritan.

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The Good Samaritan

Read the story of the Good Semeritan in Luke 10:25-37. The following words are taken from that passage. Fit the words into the crossword puzzle.

DO	LOVE	PRIEST
GO	SIDE	LEVITE
ALL	SOUL	WOUNDS
LAW	DEAD	LOOKED
GCD	BOUND	THIEVES
OIL	BEAST	RAIMENT
INN	PENCE	JERUSALEM
TWO	MERCY	NEIGHBOUR
LIFE	LAWYER	COMPASSION



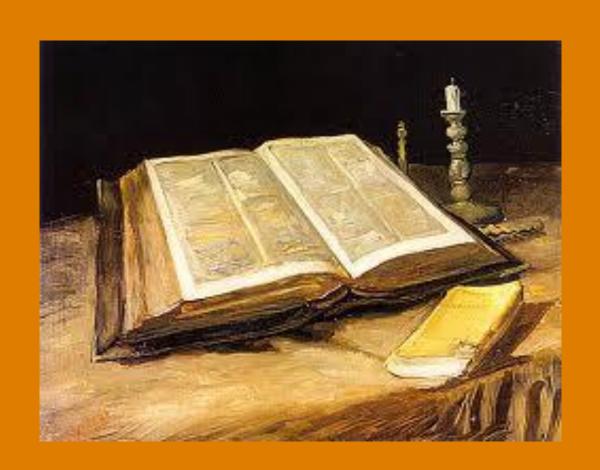
Nell de Wiles and Mary Currier More Bible Activities You Can Do. Grand Rapids, Mt Baker Books Publisher, 1999;

Print and colour.



Bible Search

Read Luke 10:25-37 in your family Bible-this is the Gospel reading at Mass this Sunday.



Activity

 Write down what you feel and think as you read or hear the story.

• Draw a picture to show the message that you got from today's Gospel!





Consider

How can you be a Good Samaritan this week?



Praying to Jesus

Pray for the grace to accept others this week instead of judging them.

