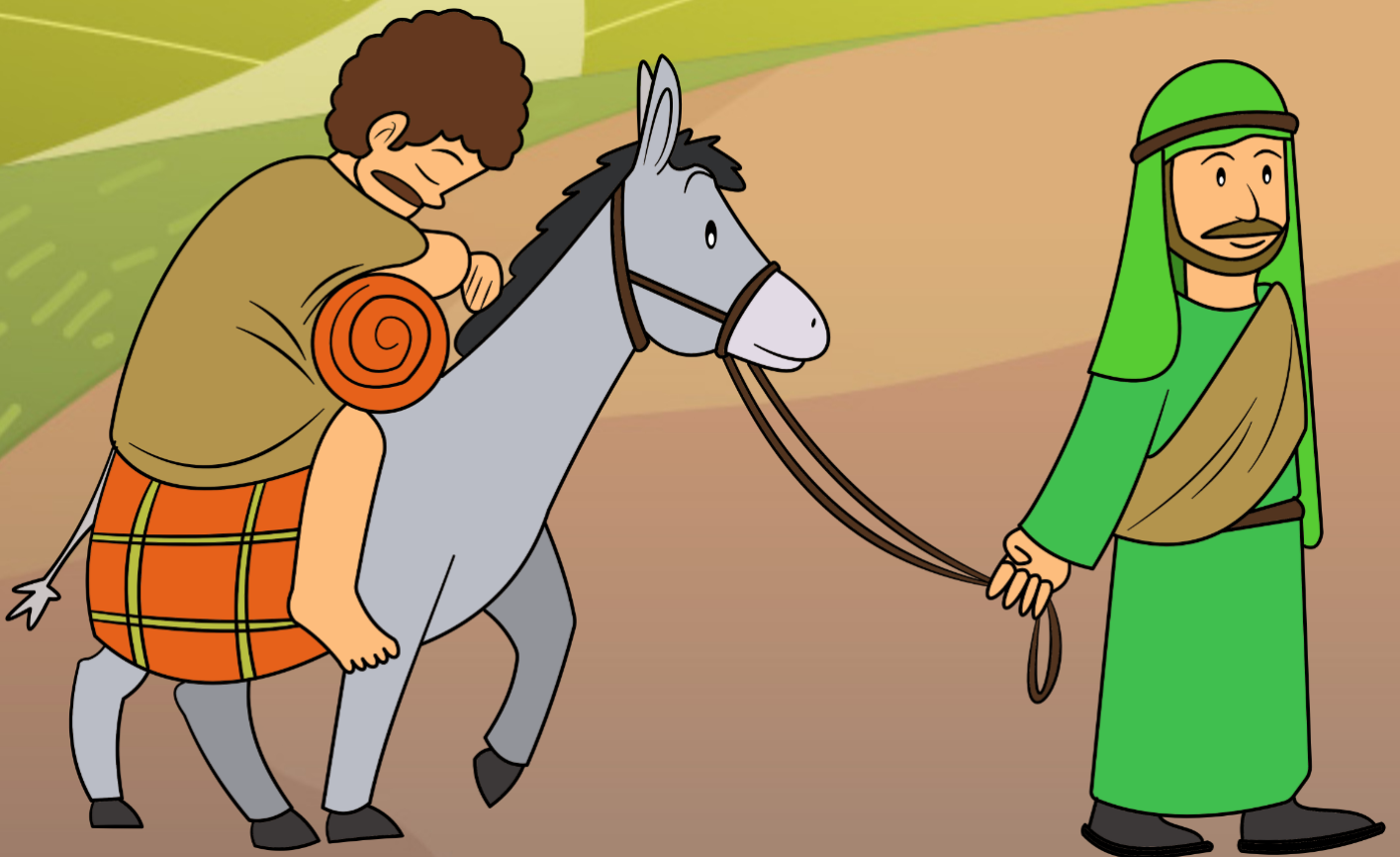


# The Good Samaritan

5+ lesson pack



# Introduction

In Luke 10:25-37, Jesus taught a parable to show that any person who is in need is our neighbour. The parable of the Good Samaritan reminds us of the second greatest commandment, “love your neighbour as yourself.” (Matthew 22:34-40).

Key Points:

1. We should show mercy to everyone.
2. We should love our neighbours.
3. We should reflect God’s love and mercy to others.



## Lesson Guide

Before you begin, ask your child a modern-day question related to this parable. For example, there was a man hurt in the street. Who do you think helped him? A pastor, a policeman or his enemy?

Read the parable from your child’s Bible. Explain that the man was trying to trick Jesus when he asked the question ‘who is my neighbour.’

Explain mercy is showing compassion or forgiveness to someone. Has someone ever shown you mercy? Have you ever deserved to be punished but someone has chosen to forgive you instead? Talk about flies or another kind of pest. Mercy would be to release the bug outside rather than smash it.

Show how God showed us love and mercy, so that we could show love and mercy to others. Give your child a small mirror and turn on a flashlight. Pick out an object together and help the child angle the mirror to illuminate it. Point out that the flashlight gives light, but the mirror reflects it. We should do the same with God’s love and mercy and show it to others.

Ask if your child remembers who Jesus said our neighbour was? Everyone.

Make a list or look at photos of people you know well or not at all. Ask your child to tell you which ones we should show mercy to. Remind them that even if we do not like someone, they are still our neighbour.

Share how, during Jesus’ time, the Samaritans were hated people. The Jews did not treat them nicely, but the man still stopped to help the injured man. While the people who should have been the injured man’s friends ignored him.

Would you want to help your enemy? Most people would not want to do that, but Jesus wants us to be different. Read Matthew 5:44-45.

Use the worksheet with photos of animals and different foods. Each time explain that the animal will eat what is in its nature to eat.

Explain that Jesus is asking us to do something difficult. Human nature is not to forgive, show mercy, or love our enemies, but God says we are to love and show mercy. With Jesus’s help, we can do the opposite of what nature tells us to do.

Share how the Samaritan did not only help the man, but he went far beyond anything that could be expected. Treating him, carrying him, paying for his care etc. Remind your child that God love it when we do more than we need to when serving Him.

Think of ways you can be a good neighbour to those in need locally and around the world. You could share some ministries who help people in practical ways. If possible, plan to visit and get involved with one.

Thank God for showing mercy. Ask Him to help you show mercy to others.

# The Good Samaritan

One day, an expert in religious law stood up to trick Jesus by asking him this question: “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”

Jesus asked him, “What is written in the law? How do you read it?”

The Lawyer answered from the Bible. He said Deuteronomy 6:5 says, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind.” And Leviticus 19:18 says “love your neighbour as yourself.”

Jesus told him, “You have answered correctly. Do this, and you will live.”

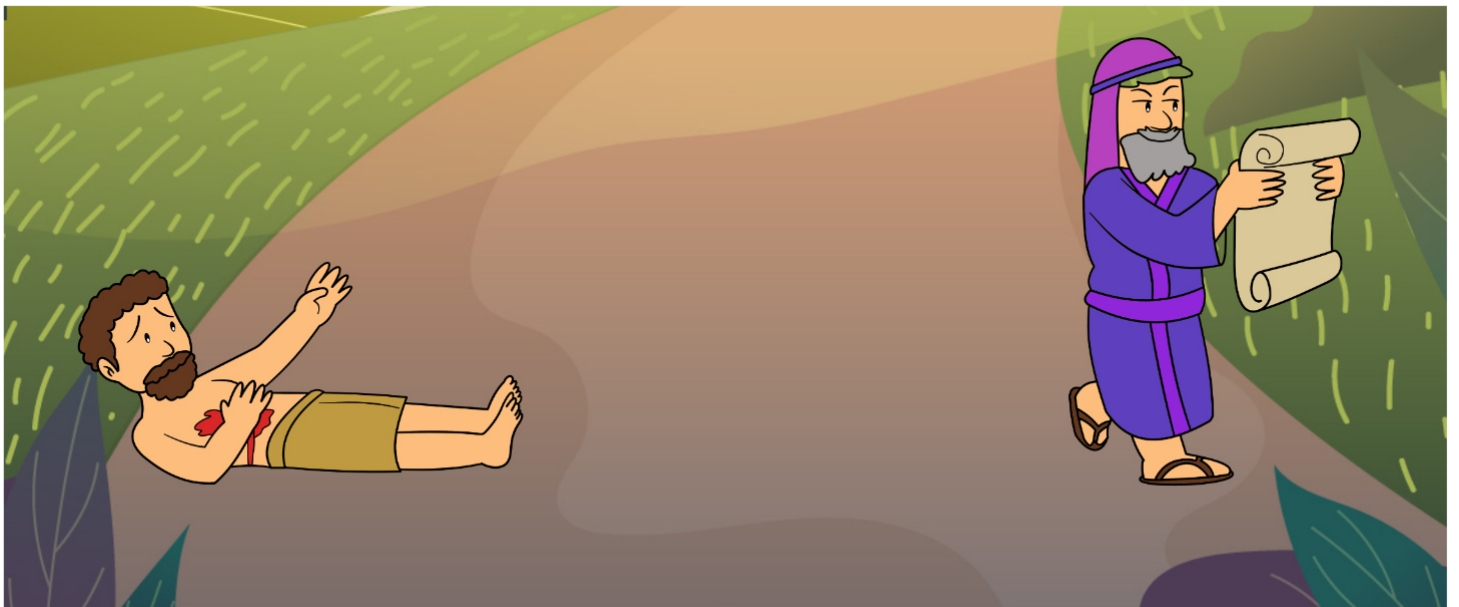
But the expert was not happy. He wanted to justify himself. He asked Jesus, “But who is my neighbour?”



Jesus answered with a parable, “A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he was attacked by robbers, they stripped him and beat him, leaving him half dead on the side of the road.

By chance a priest was going down the same road. When he saw him, he passed by on the other side.

Shortly after, a Levite also walked down the road, when he came to the place, saw the man, and also waled passed by on the other side.





Then a despised Samaritan came along. When he saw him, he was moved with compassion.

He went over to the man, wrapped up his wounds and poured on oil and wine on him.

Next, he lifted him up on his donkey, brought him to an inn. The Samaritan took care of him.

The next day, he took out two coins and gave them to the inn keeper. He said, 'Take care of him. Whatever you spend beyond that, I will repay you when I return.'

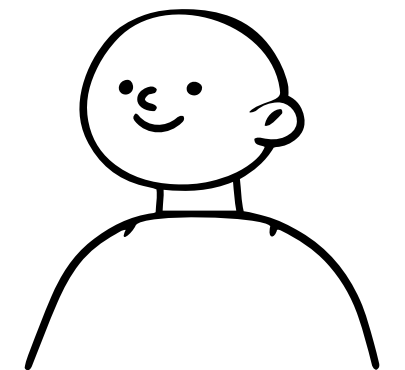
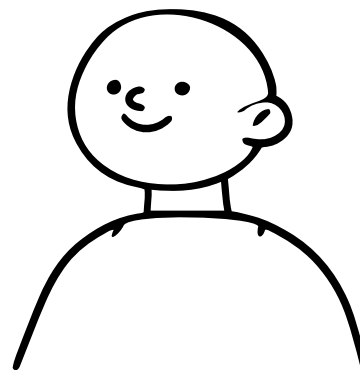
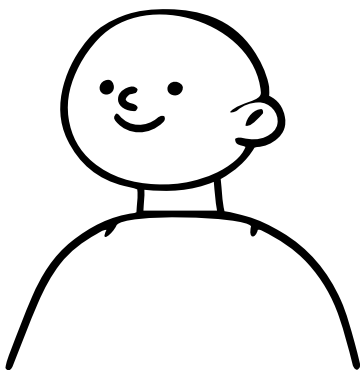
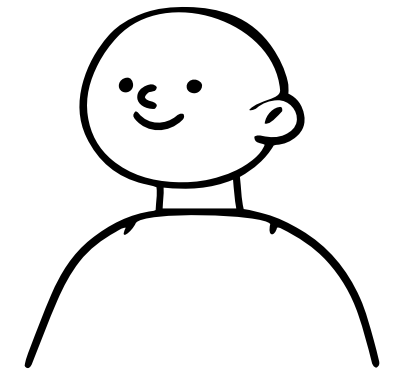
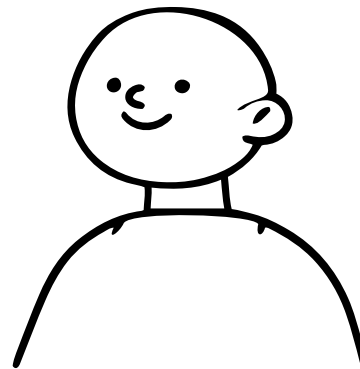
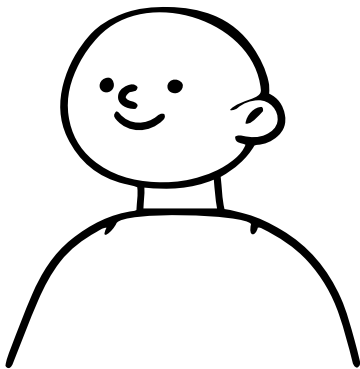
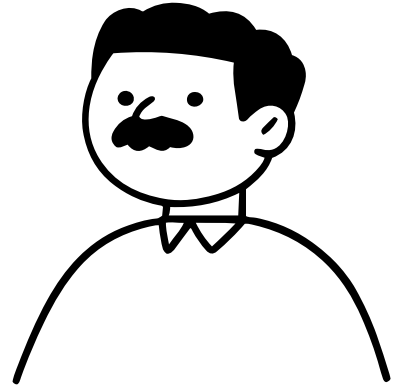
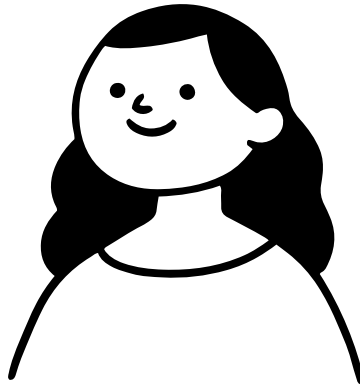
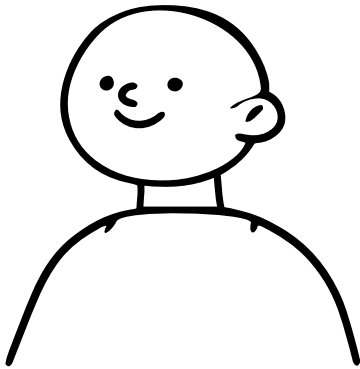
Jesus finished the story and asked the lawyer a question. "Which of these three do you think seemed to be a neighbour to him who fell among the robbers?"

The expert in religious law said, "The one who showed mercy on him."

Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."



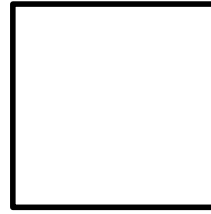
# Draw people who look different



'Love your neighbour as yourself.' - Matthew 22:39

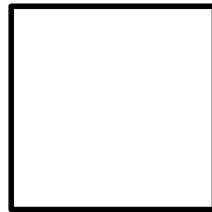
# Finish the verse

Love God with all your

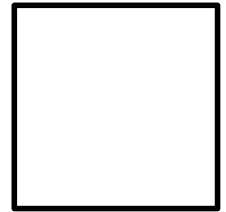


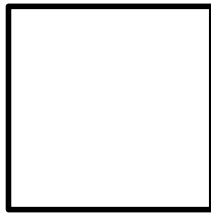
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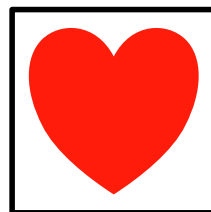


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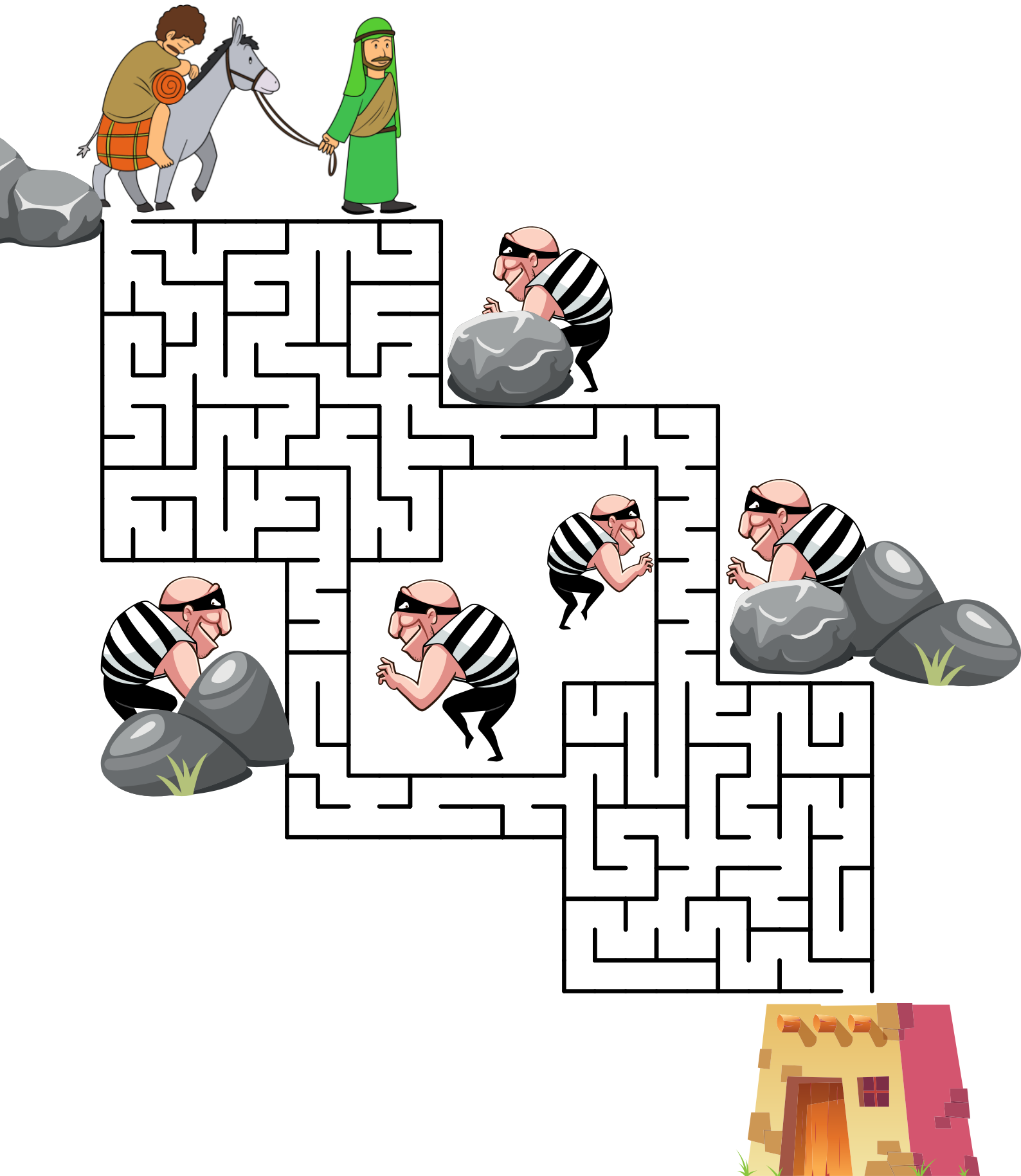


and, "Love your  as yourself".

Luke 10:27



# Find a safe route to the inn



# The Good Samaritan Quiz

**1) Who asked Jesus a question?**

A Lawyer (Religious law expert) - A Disciple - A Tax collector

**2) Which two cities was the man walking between?**

Bethlehem and Jerusalem - Jerusalem and Jericho - Jericho and Nazareth

**3) Who was the first person to see the man in need?**

A Priest - A Levite - A Samaritan

**4) Which item did the Good Samaritan NOT use to treat the man?**

Oil - Wine - Herbs

**5) What did the Good Samaritan place the man on?**

His own animal - A Stretcher - An ambulance

**6) Where did the Good Samaritan take the man in need?**

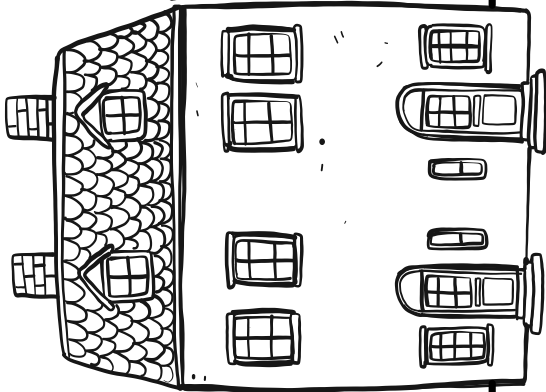
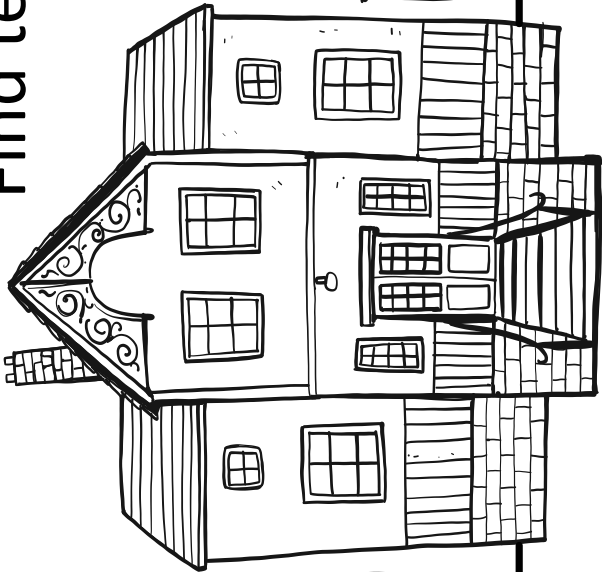
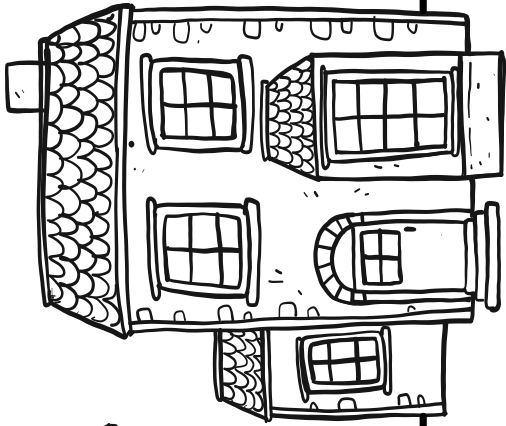
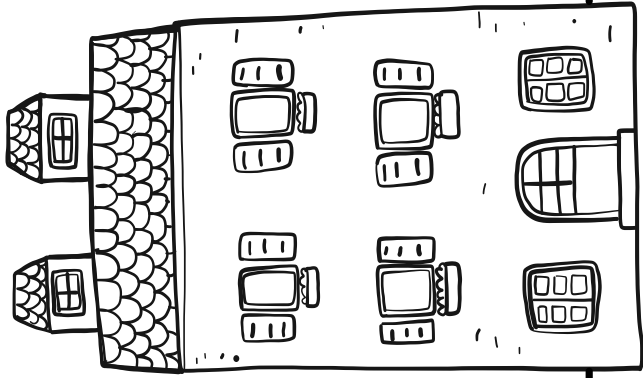
A hospital - An inn - A tent

**7) What did Jesus say to do at the end of the parable?**

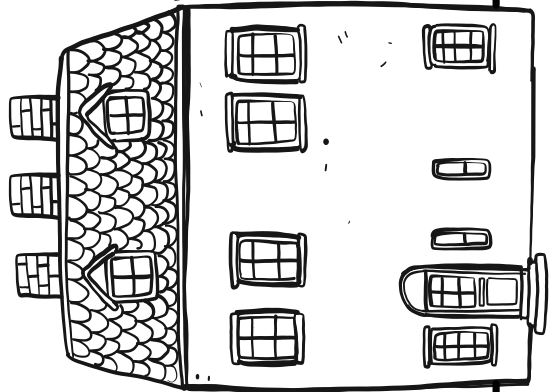
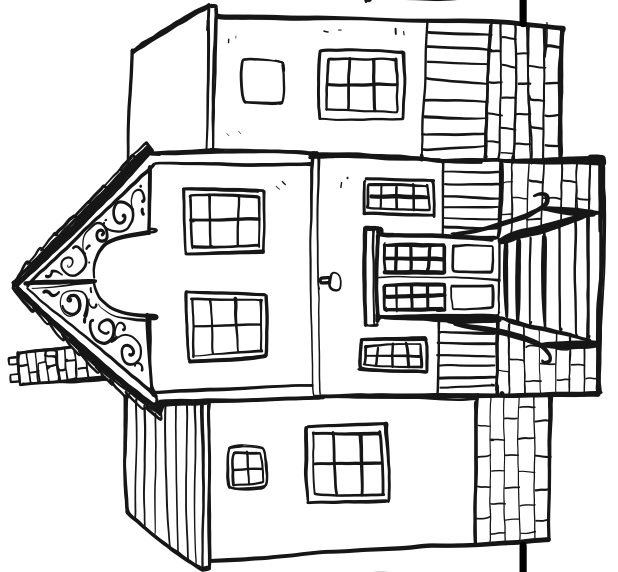
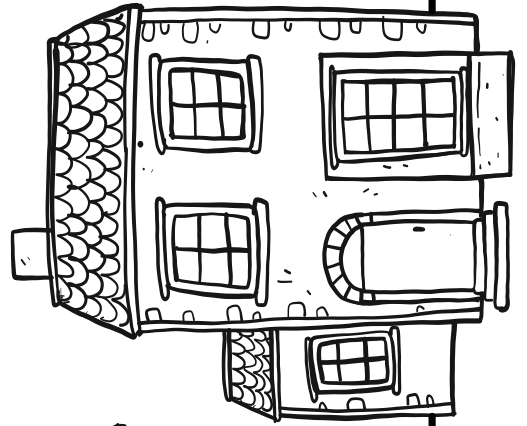
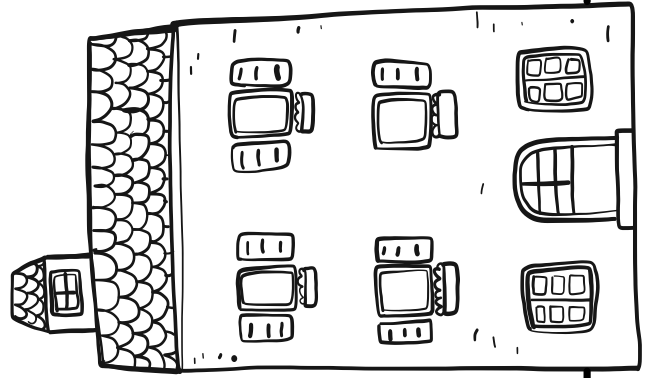
Go and do likewise - Samaritans are good people - Be careful when you walk alone.



Find ten differences



“Love your neighbour as yourself.” - Luke 10:27



# Games and Activities

## Sneak Past

The priest and the Levi walked right past the man in need and didn't stop to help.

In this game, one player is chosen to be the injured man. They should lay face down on the ground.

Other players must walk back and forth.

At any moment the injured man can look up. Anyone they spot moving is out.



## Bandage the patient

Divide children in pairs or teams (depending on group size).

Within the team, they choose one person to be the injured man.

The others are good Samaritans.

Each good Samaritan is given a roll of toilet paper.

On go they should bandage the injured man.

The first group to use all their paper (while wrapping well) wins.



## Serve your neighbours

Plan a practical way to serve your neighbourhood. It could be preparing a meal for someone who lives in your street.

Attending a soup kitchen. Going shopping for someone who is stuck at home. Cleaning someone's garden. The list is endless. Serve together as a family.



# Love your neighbour mirror sign



## What you need:

- Template page,
- Colouring pencils or crayons,
- Scissors,
- Sticky tack.

## What to do:



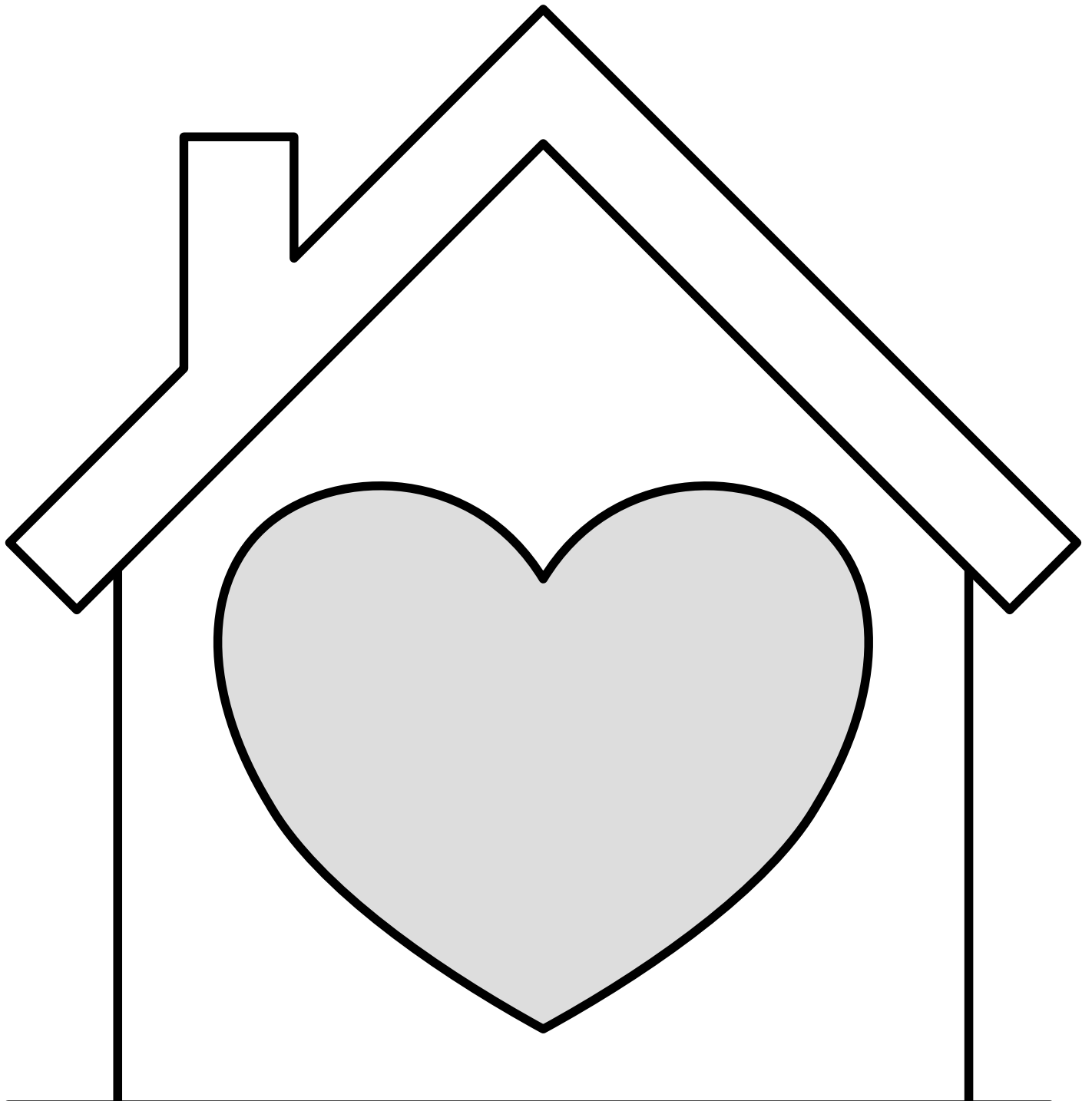
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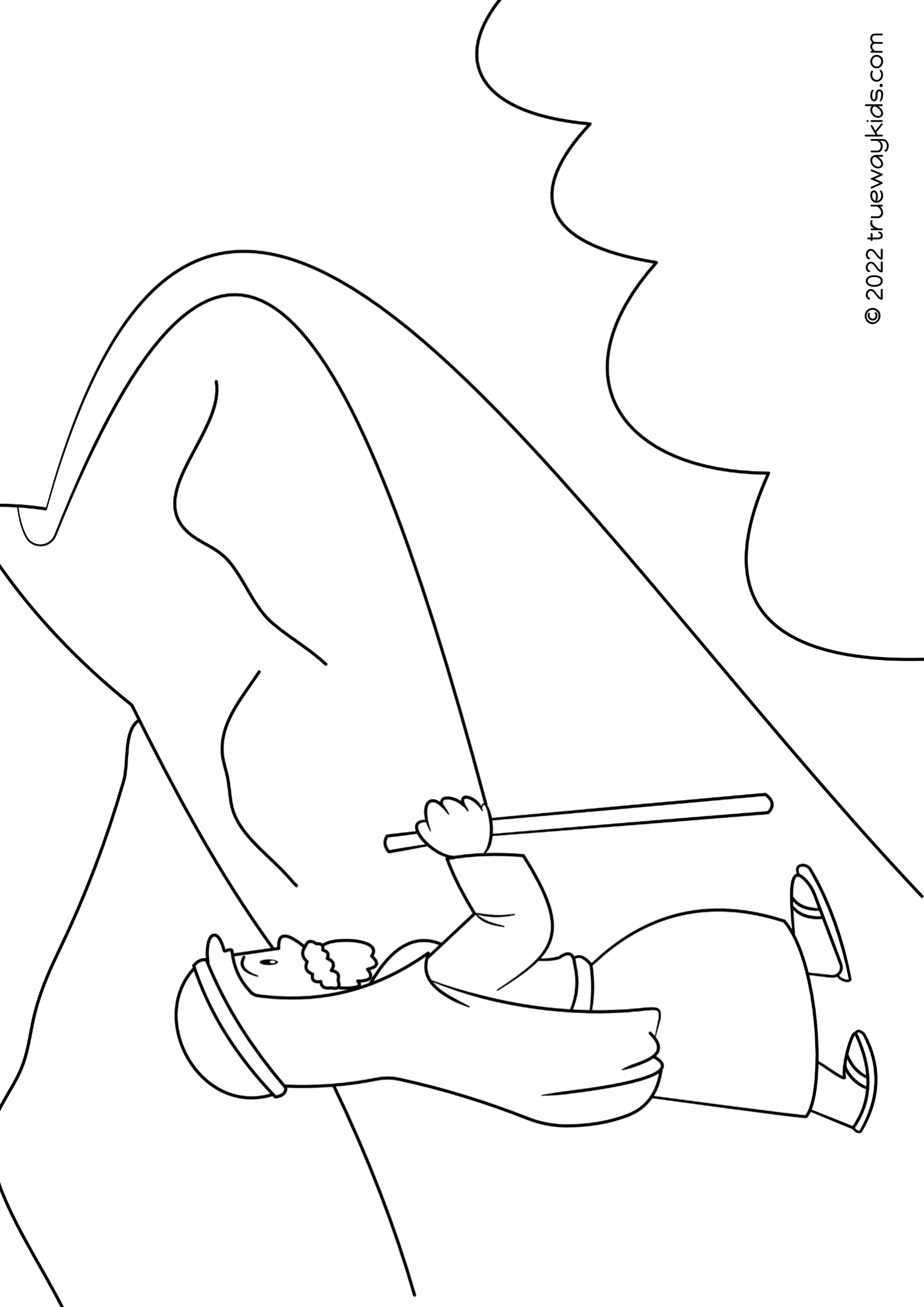
Cut around the house. Ask an adult to help cut out the heart.

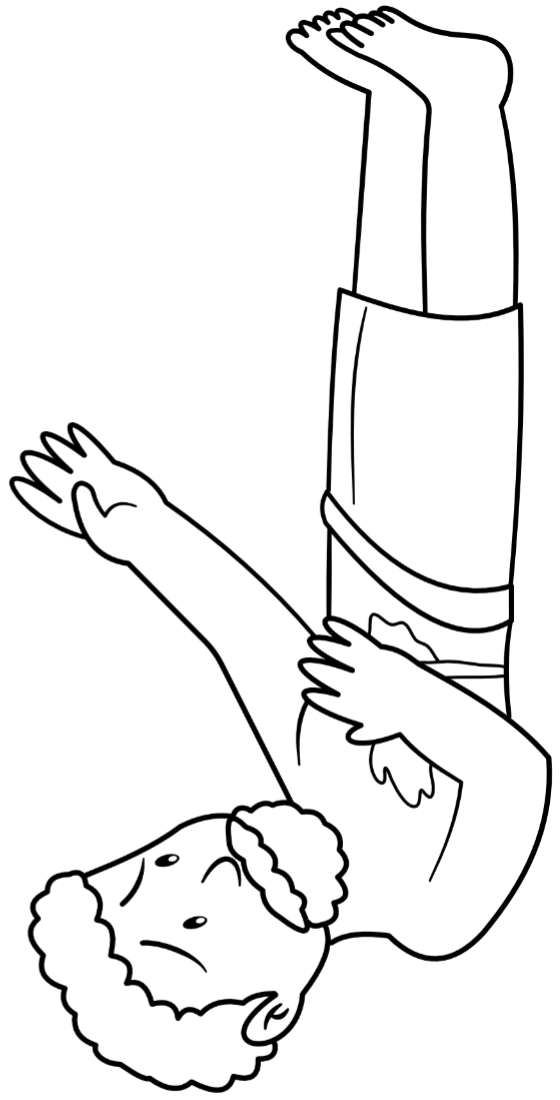
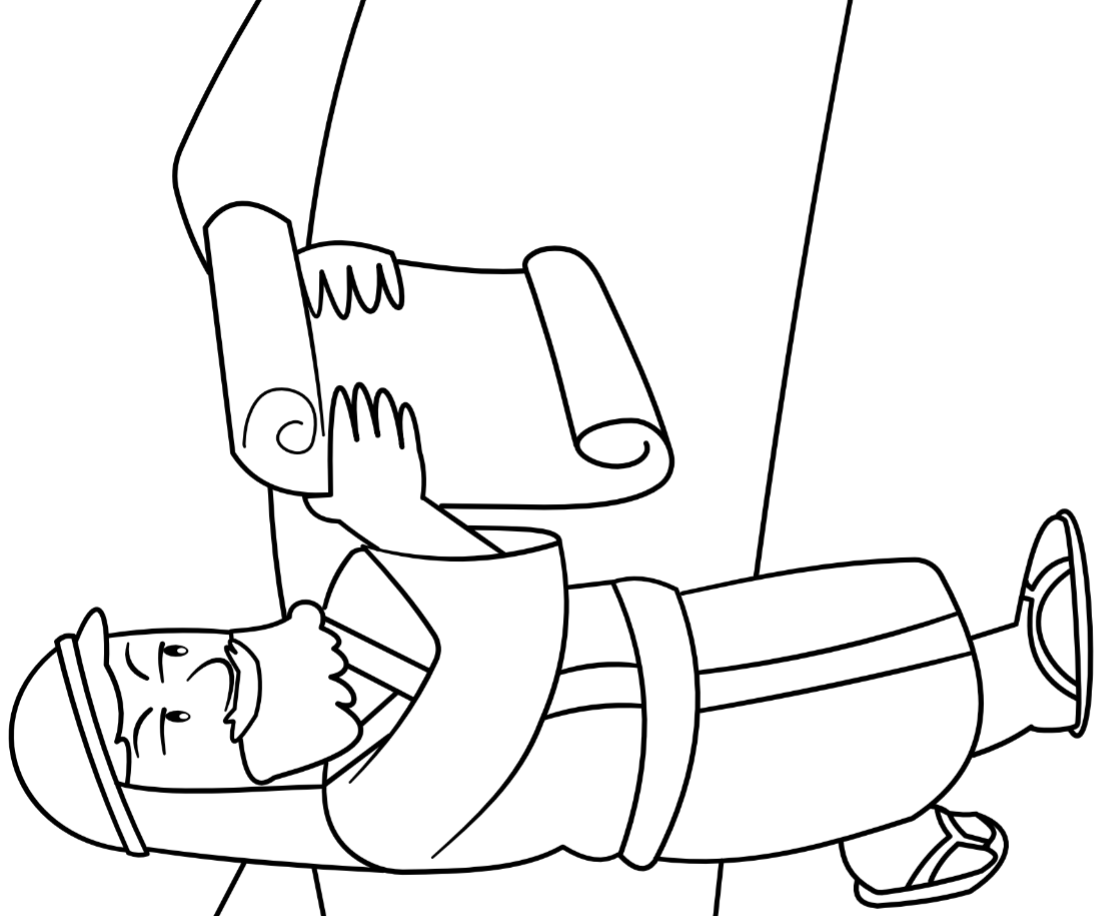


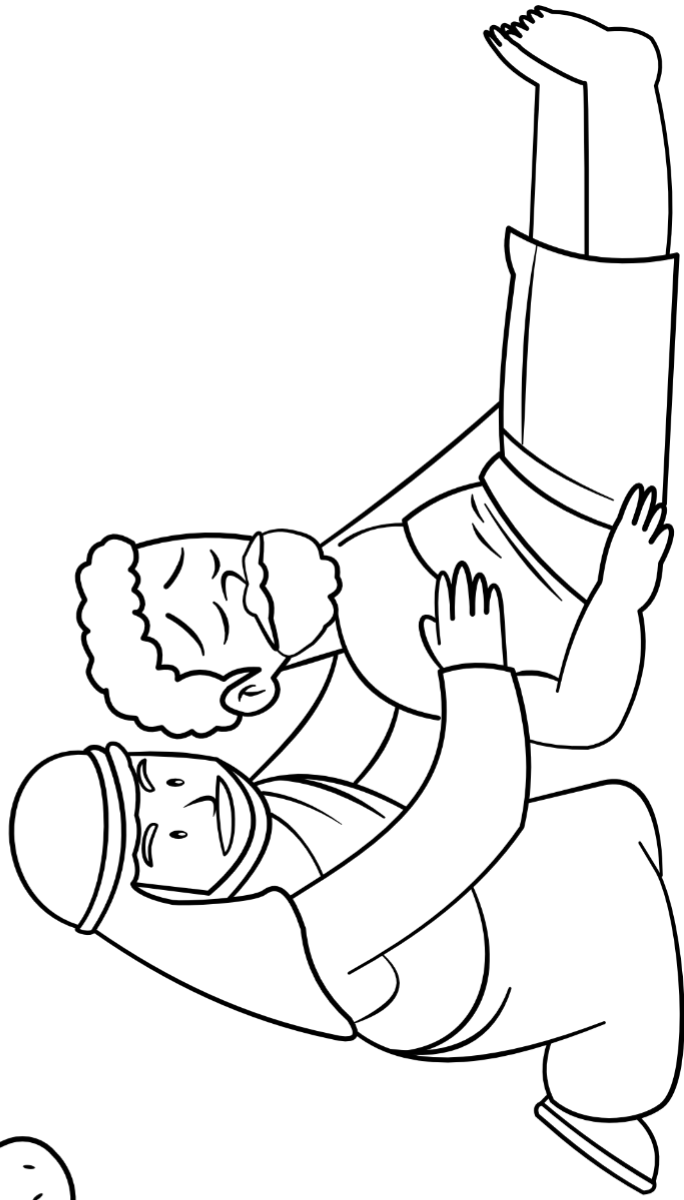
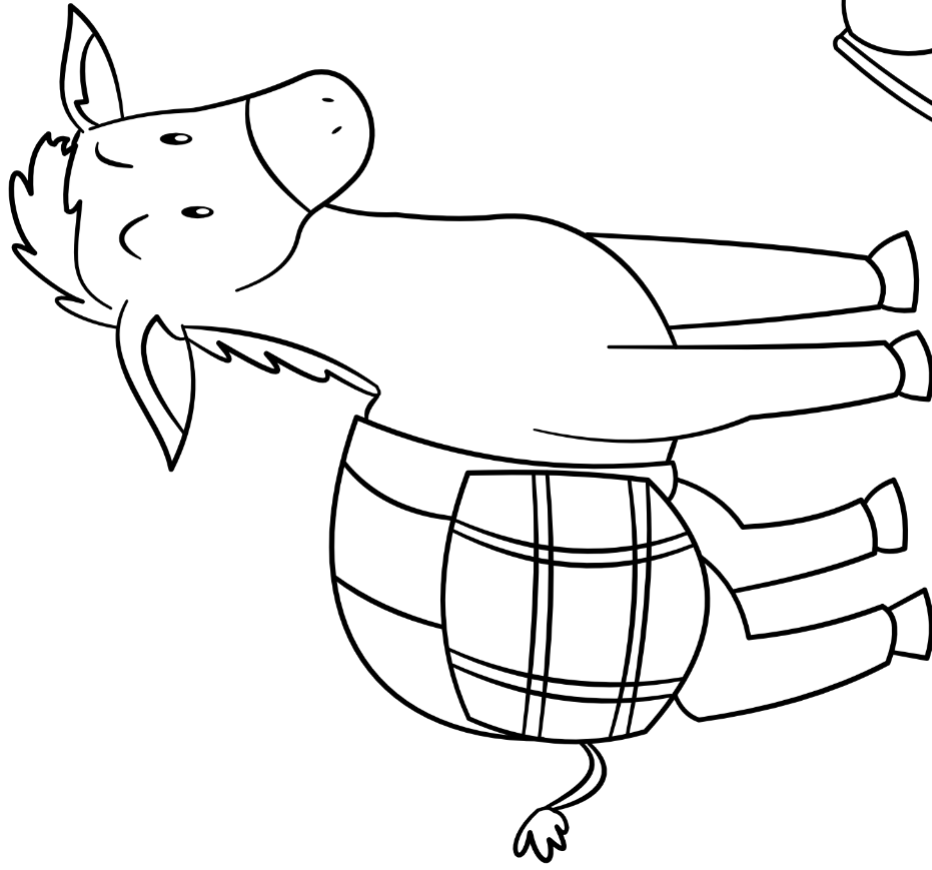
Use some sticky tack to attach to a mirror.

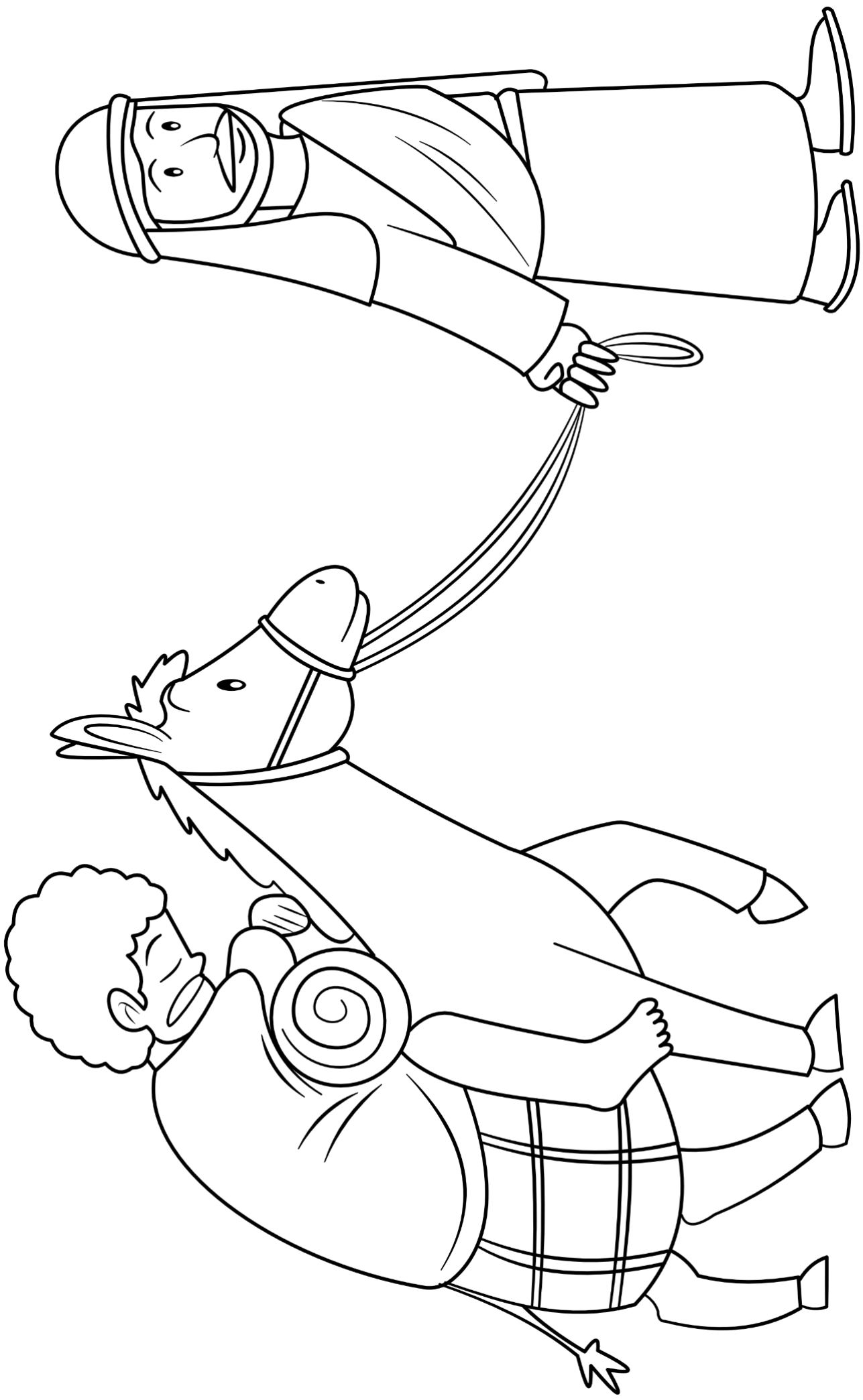


Love your neighbour  
as yourself - Luke 10:27









# Worship Time

Recommend worship songs. Not produced by Trueway Kids. YouTube Videos to be used for personal use only.

Love your neighbour

<https://youtu.be/aLv3V6dzGaU>

love your neighbor as yourself

<https://youtu.be/xiMF7r73Jao>

His Mercy Is More

<https://youtu.be/vGj8gu9T37A>



## Prayer

Thank God for showing you mercy and sending Jesus to rescue you.

Ask God to help you show his love and mercy to others in need.

## Next Week

Parable of the Talents

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