





Steps to Success

Lockdown	
Date	Tuesday 2 nd February
Subject/s	RE
Learning Objective 	To understand Christian values

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Success Criteria 	I can identify some Christian values		
	I know that values show in what people do		
	I understand that the impact of our values can make people happy – or unhappy		
Support	Independent	Adult Support ()	Group Work
Key vocabulary for the lesson:			
Christian parable value impact consequences thoughts actions			

What codes for living do Christians try to follow?

Read the two texts below and identify similarities in Jesus' values.

The Good Samaritan

The **parable** of the Good Samaritan is a story which was told by Jesus and is recorded in the Bible. The famous parable can be found in the Gospel According to Luke in Chapter 10, verses 25-37.

What Is a Parable?

A parable can be used to teach people and help them to make decisions through the use of a story where the characters face a similar dilemma. Jesus used parables to teach people how God would like them to live.

What Happens in the Parable of the Good Samaritan?

The Gospel According to Luke tells us that, as Jesus spoke to his followers, a **lawyer** stood up to test him. When Jesus told the man that he should love his neighbour as much as he loves himself, the lawyer asked, "Who exactly is my neighbour?" That is when Jesus decided to use a parable to explain the concept.



Jesus told that, long ago, a Jewish man was travelling from Jerusalem to Jericho along a dangerous road. As he walked, two thieves jumped out onto the road and attacked him; they beat, stripped and robbed the Jewish man before running away, leaving him barely alive at the side of the road.



A short while later, a priest saw the injured Jewish man at the side of the road. Rather than rushing to help him, the priest crossed the road and passed by on the other side. A few moments later, a **Levite** also found the wounded man. Just as the priest had done, the Levite crossed the road and passed by the Jewish man.

Later, a **Samaritan** was walking along the road when he caught sight of the injured man. At the time, Samaritans and Jewish people did not like each other: each group of people tried to destroy the holy temples of the other. It would not have been expected that the Samaritan would help the Jewish man yet the Samaritan took pity on him.

The Samaritan poured oil and wine onto the Jewish man's wounds to treat them before wrapping them in bandages. He carried the injured man to his donkey and took him to a nearby inn. When they reached the inn, the Samaritan took two silver coins from his pocket and gave them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," said the Samaritan. "When I return, I will pay back any extra money that you have spent."



When he had finished telling the parable, Jesus turned to the

lawyer and asked, "Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the Jewish man?"

"The one who had mercy on him," the lawyer replied.

"Go and do the same," Jesus said.

Luke 23:32-35 ICB

There were also two criminals led out with Jesus to be killed. Jesus and the two criminals were taken to a place called the Skull. There the soldiers nailed Jesus to his cross. They also nailed the criminals to their crosses, one beside Jesus on the right and the other beside Jesus on the left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them."

After reading the two texts, think about what the values of Jesus seem to be.

The values of Christianity include love, forgiveness, peace between people and God, honesty, prayer, worship and fellowship (togetherness).

Christians believe a human being is 'a good thing spoiled' – they say humans are made in the image of God (Genesis 1:28) and so can do good things, but bad choices have messed humans up in some ways. (The story of Adam and Eve in Genesis 3 is the background to these ideas. Some Christians call this the 'Fall' – where humans 'fell' from their place of closeness to God and so do not really show God's image in themselves as they should.). But Christians believe God the Rescuer can put this right. ('Jesus' means 'he saves'.)

For Christians, trusting in God, as seen in Jesus, may matter even more than being good, because it helps a person to be good.

Values trees: roots and fruits

Think about people's actions and what leads up to these actions. People's values or motives lead them to act with a story from school life.

Jesus often compared actions to fruits. The roots are down inside us, hidden thoughts and intentions, but what you do shows what you value.

Look at the image of the tree with its roots, trunk, branches, and carrying fruits as well.

Write onto the fruits the words that you choose to represent good actions. Think about what leads to good actions, and write some of these things onto the branches, the trunk and the roots of their trees.

