

Love Your Neighbor



NEW WORDS

Golden Rule

Priest

lawyer

Levite

Jerusalem

Jericho

Bible Lesson:
Luke 10:25-32

It is wrong to kill or hate someone. But God can forgive us when we break the Fifth Commandment because Jesus died for our sins.

Jesus taught His disciples this rule, “Just as you want people to treat you, treat them in the same way.” Another way to say this is “Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.” We call this important rule the Golden Rule. In our Bible lesson Jesus teaches us about the Golden Rule and God’s laws.

One day a lawyer asked Jesus, “What must I do to go to heaven?” Jesus said, “What does the law say you should do?” The lawyer answered, “We should love God best and love our neighbor the way we love ourselves.” Jesus said, “That is right. If you keep God’s laws perfectly you will go to heaven.”

Jesus knows no one can keep God’s laws perfectly. He wanted the lawyer to ask God to forgive him when he sinned. But the lawyer wouldn’t ask God to forgive him. Instead he asked Jesus, “Who is my neighbor?” Jesus wanted him to know everyone was his neighbor, so He told the lawyer this story.

“**A** man was walking from the city of Jerusalem to Jericho. All of a sudden some robbers jumped out! They beat the man, took his money and clothes and left him by the side of the road to die.

“**A** temple worker, called a priest, came along the same road. He saw the hurt man. He did not help him. He just walked by on the other side of the road.

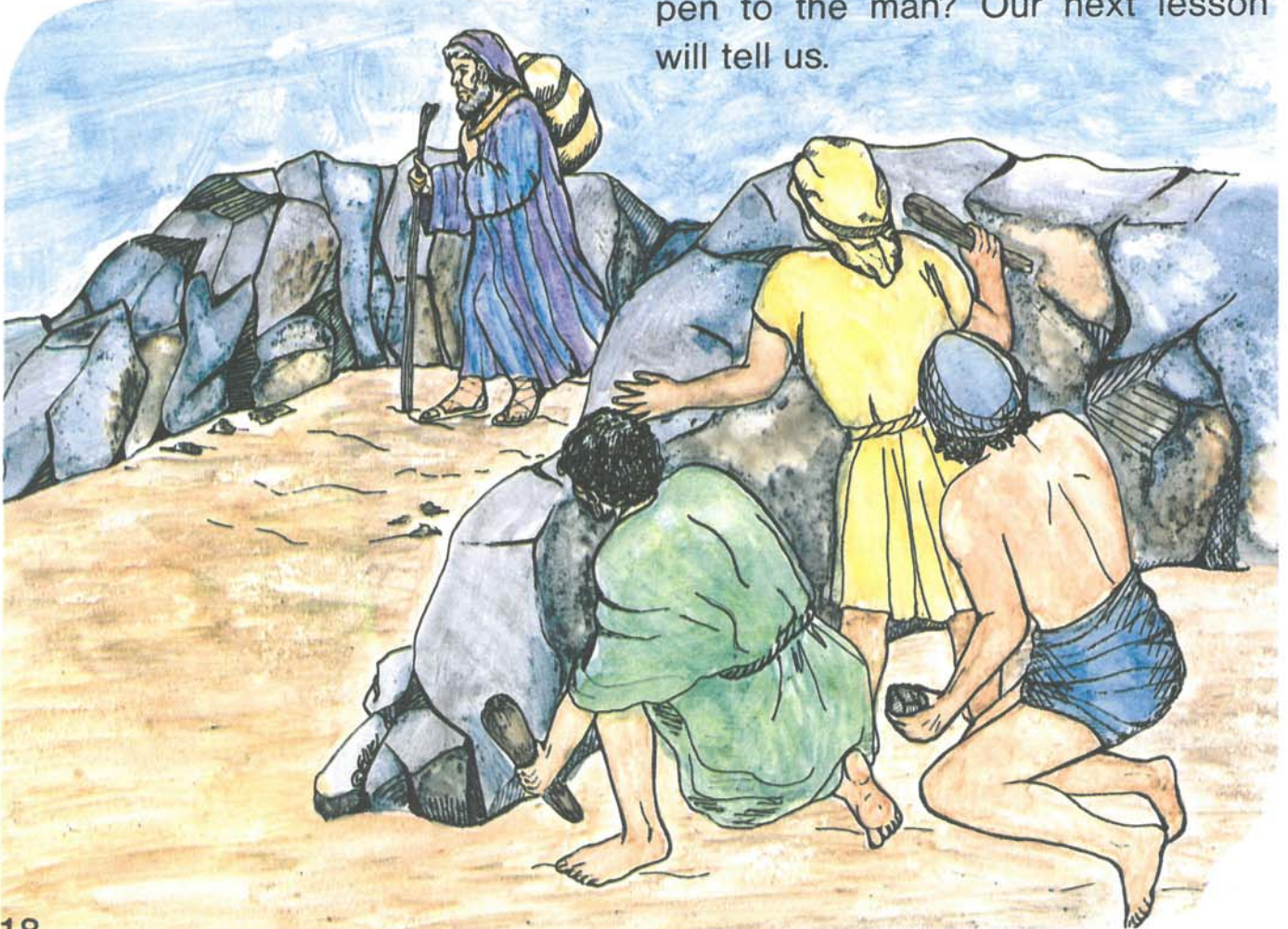
“**A**fter a while a Levite came along this same road. He was a worker in the temple too. But when

he saw the hurt man he went by on the other side of the road.”

From this story the lawyer learned no one keeps God’s laws perfectly. The lawyer did not love his neighbor the way he loved himself. He did not love God best.

Only Jesus could keep God’s laws perfectly for us. When we ask Jesus to forgive us we will know how much God loves us. Then we will want to love and help our neighbor.

What do you think will happen to the man? Our next lesson will tell us.



1. **Read** the Memory Verse.

2. **Write** the missing word in each blank below.

3. **Look** at the Memory Verse to help you.

MEMORY VERSE

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.

Ephesians 4:32

Enrichment Memory Verse: Luke 6:31



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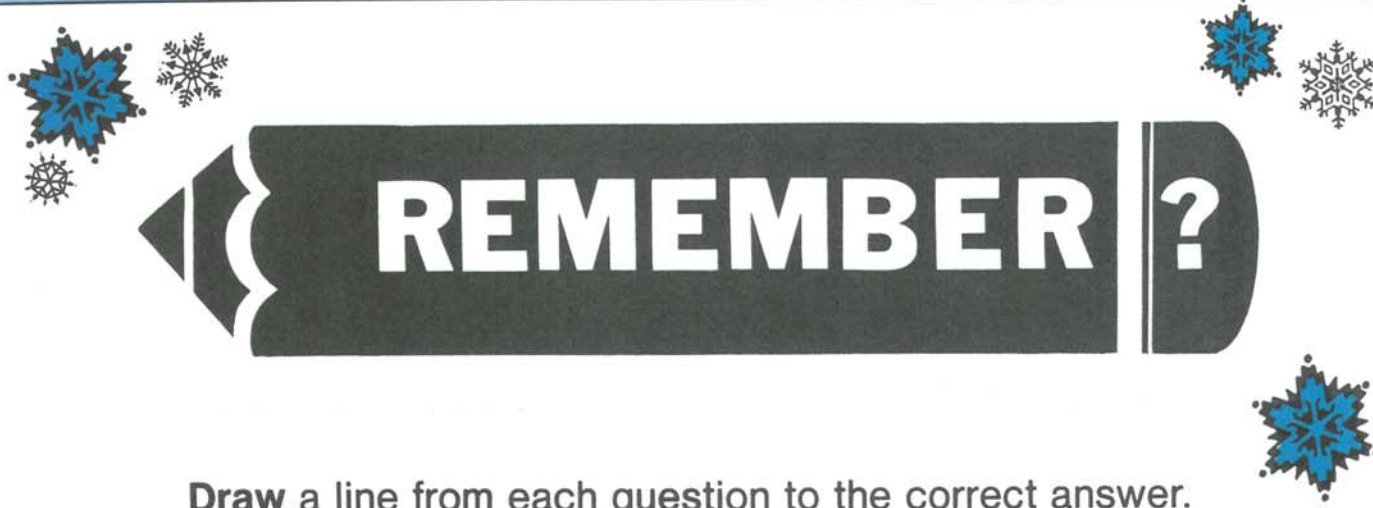
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THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT

Thou shalt not kill.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do our neighbor no bodily harm nor cause him any suffering, but help and befriend him in every need.



REMEMBER ?

Draw a line from each question to the correct answer.



What is the Golden Rule?



God



Why does God forgive us?



Jesus



Who taught about the Golden Rule in the Bible?



Just as you want people to treat you, treat them in the same way.



What is the Fifth Commandment?



Thou shalt not kill.



Who should we love best?



Because Jesus died for our sins.