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# The Good Samaritan

**Big Idea** | Jesus wants us to serve others.

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## 1. Hangout

### Supplies

- Bandages
- Empty bottle (for pretend medicine bottle)
- Spoon
- Blanket
- Stuffed animal

### Instructions

- Let the children know that today's Bible story is about a man who was left hurt on the side of the road. He needed help! Some people walked past him. Only one person stopped to help him.
- Invite the group to pretend the stuffie is the hurt person. Encourage them to use the supplies and work together to help the hurt person.
- Remind everyone that **Jesus wants us to serve others**. When we see someone who needs help, we can stop and help them!
- Discuss: Has anyone ever helped you when you were hurt? What happened?

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## 2. Hear

### Supplies

- Children's Bible

### Instructions

- Let the children know that in today's story, three people come along and see the hurt man on the road. The first two men don't help him; in fact, they cross the road to get away from him! But the third man who comes along helps the hurt man. Encourage everyone to listen carefully to find out what Jesus says about the man who helped.
  - Read about the Good Samaritan in a children's Bible (from Luke 10:25-37).
  - Review and discuss:
    - How did the man get hurt? (Bandits beat him up)
    - What did the priest do when he saw the hurt man? (Did not stop to help)
    - What did the Levite (Temple worker) do when he saw the hurt man? (Did not stop to help)
    - What did the Samaritan do when he saw the hurt man? (Stopped and helped him)
    - Who does Jesus say we should be like? (The Samaritan)
    - What would you do if you saw the hurt man?
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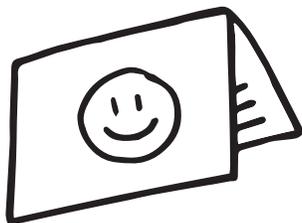
### 3. Huddle

**Supplies**

- None

**Instructions**

- Guide your group to spread out in an open area.
- Lead the children to say the Key Verse (Serve one another in love. | Galatians 5:13b, NIRV) and do the following actions:
  - Serve: Crouch into a ball
  - one another: Stand up with hands out to the sides
  - in love: Jump with both feet as you give yourself a hug
  - Galatians 5:13: Cup hands to mouth and shout the reference
- Repeat saying the verse and doing the actions until the children know them.
- Let everyone know that it's time to talk to God. Model how to sit in a prayer posture, with closed eyes and folded hands. (It's okay if anyone doesn't want to do this.)
- Pray, "Thank you, Jesus, for loving each of us so much [mention each child by name]. Thank you for teaching us to love and serve others, just like the Samaritan who helped the hurt man. We love you! Amen."



"Serve one  
another in love."

Galatians 5:13

