

L.O. offer some ideas about the meaning of the
Good Samaritan story to Christians

*We are all familiar with the parable of the
Good Samaritan.*

Use the link below to watch the story again.

 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VdaOyhfVDb4>

We are going to be questioning these characters using hot-seating...



Injured man

Good Samaritan



Bandits



Levite

Priest



Think about the characters and write a question you would want to ask each of them.

Use the next slide to help you create your questions, e.g.

How did you feel after you had injured the man?

Did you feel ashamed?



Bandits

Who

hurt

What

reluctant

When

injured

selfish

Where

ashamed

Why

compassionate

How

helpless

?

Using the next slide, put yourself 'in the shoes' of each of the characters.

Answer the questions you have written as if you are each of those characters. You might get someone else to ask you the questions!

e.g. How did you feel when you turned your back on the injured man?

"I felt ashamed because I had left him all alone. I had not acted kindly and treated him with respect and kindness I should have."



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To think about...

Jesus was talking to many people who did not like Samaritans at all — they would have been shocked to find out that he was the character who eventually looked after the man.

The people at the time would probably have expected Jesus to say his neighbour was a Jewish person near to them. We expect to admire the priest and the Levite however, we end up admiring the Samaritan instead— what qualities make us admire him?

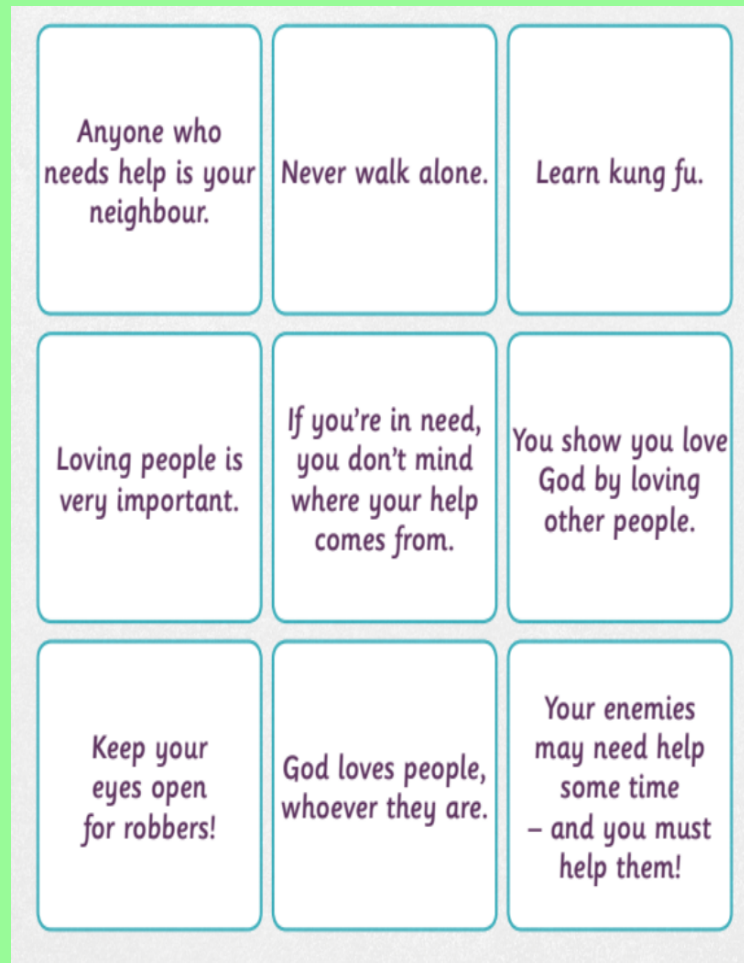
Do we actually admire the priest and Levite in the end?

By telling this parable, Jesus had an important message which he wanted people to learn from.

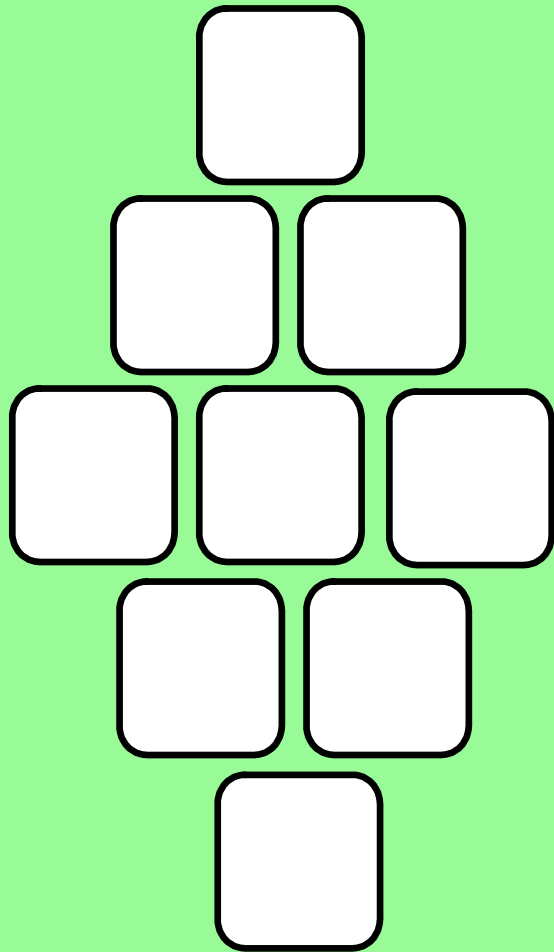
In Luke 10:27 it says people should love (God and neighbour). It might be difficult or dangerous to love a neighbour, but people should still do it. The Samaritan's kindness and love towards others can be seen as like God's kindness and love for people.

What Jesus might want people to learn from this story?

Cut out the Diamond 9 template cards.



likely



unlikely

Once you have cut them out,
order them according to
what you think Jesus might
want people to learn from
this story?

From the MOST likely
message Jesus wants people
to learn to the LEAST
unlikely message Jesus
wants people to learn.