

GOOD SAM

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The PARABLE of the Good Samaritan
Luke 10:25-37

LYRICS

VERSE 1

NARRATOR

Now a scooter broke down, in a rough part of town,
with a teen all alone who did not charge her phone.
Then her heart pounds with fear, as the stranger comes near.
And we're sorry to say she was beaten that day.
What did that teenager say?

TEEN

Help me, please help me, I'm far from my home.
Don't let me die here alone.
Help me, please help me. I'm far from my home.
Don't let me die here alone.

VERSE 2

NARRATOR

From the church 'round the bend, comes a special holy friend.
He'll be helpful I know, 'cause the Lord told us so.
He arrived on the scene of that poor beaten teen.
And we're sorry to say he did not help that day.
What did that church person say?

CHORUS

CHURCH PERSON 1

I'd like to stop, I really would. You know I'd help you if I could,
but church is starting and I should. Get there chop – chop.
I'm crossing to the other side so it can always be denied
I saw you hurting and decided not to stop.

TEEN

Help me, please help me, I'm far from my home.
Don't let me die here alone.

VERSE 3

NARRATOR

From the church round the bend, comes another holy friend.
She'll be helpful I know, cause the Lord told us so.
She arrived on the scene of that poor beaten teen.
And we're sorry to say she did not help that day.
What did that church person say?

CHORUS

CHURCH PERSON 2

I really hate to get involved. I'm needed now to problem solve.
And budget matters to resolve. Hymnbooks to swap.
I'm crossing to the other side so it can always be denied
I saw you hurting and decided not to stop-

TEEN

Help me, please help me, I'm far from my home.
Don't let me die here alone.

VERSE 4

NARRATOR

From that rough part of town, where that scooter broke down,
comes a stranger that day, where that teenager lay.
Now her heart pounds with fear, as that stranger comes near.
Then he reaches his hand,

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Can I help you my friend?

NARRATOR

I bet you remember the end.

ALL

Who is my neighbor? What do I see?
Who in this story is me?
Am I the one hurting, or the one who sets free,
or the one who refuses to see?

REFLECTIONS

Read Luke 10:25-37

- On first instinct, who are you in this story? The victim, the one who helps, or the “church person.”
- Why do you identify with that person?
- Think of a time you have been the person in need. Did someone help you? Whether they did or not, how did it feel?
- Have you ever received help from an unexpected person? Maybe someone you don’t know? Or maybe you don’t especially like each other?
- Which person in the story would you LIKE to be? Why?
- What do you think is stopping you from becoming the person you would LIKE to be? Fear of what people will think? Other fears? Too busy? Don’t think about it enough? Don’t really care enough to do anything?
- Can you think of ways to move toward becoming the person you WANT to be?
- Can you think of someone in your life right now with a need that you could help meet?
- Will you commit to helping that person this week? Will you commit to helping them or someone else every week?