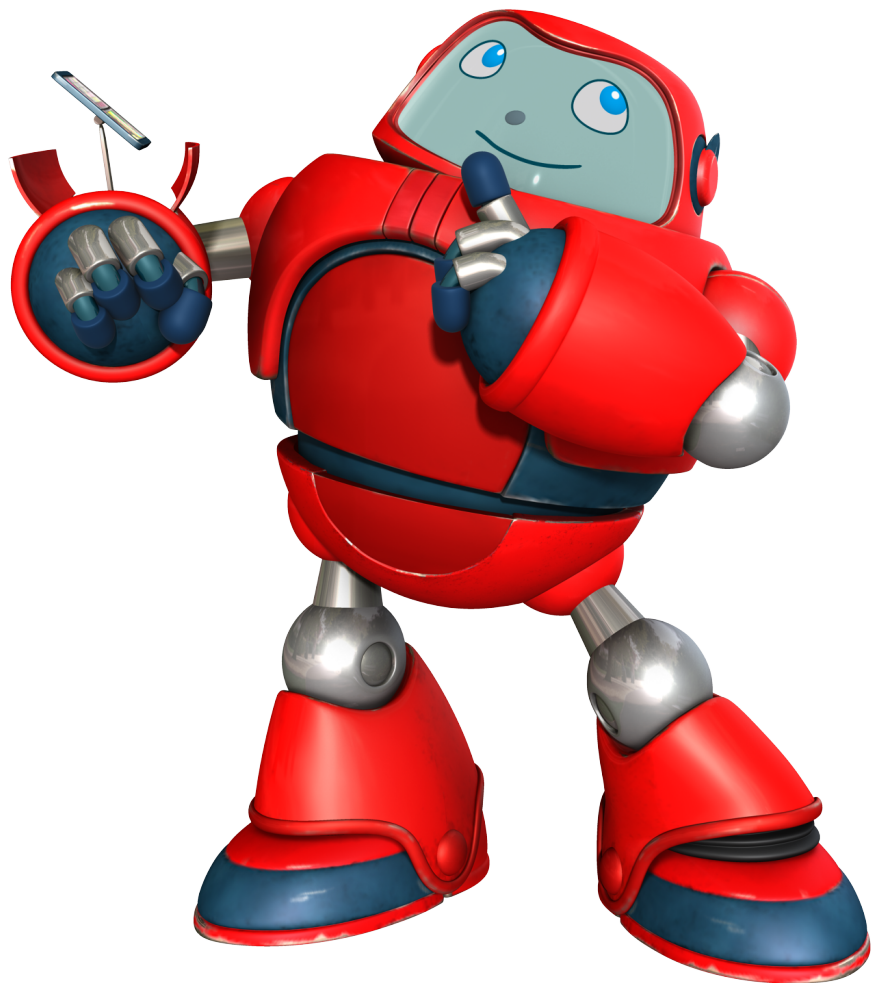


PARABLE PLAY

THE GOOD SAMARITAN



The Good Samaritan Lesson 1 of 3 Superbook Academy

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NARRATOR

A Jewish man is traveling on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. It's very steep and dangerous. The Jewish man slowly walks across stage and stops midway.

TEACHER

What happens next? Audience answers.

NARRATOR

Suddenly some robbers appear! They take the man's possessions and leave him injured beside the road. The man falls to the ground, nearly dead. The robbers run away—very fast. The robbers pretend to rob the traveler, who then falls to the ground.

TEACHER

What happens next? Audience answers.

NARRATOR

A priest comes walking along on the same road and sees the injured man. Surely he will stop to help his fellow citizen! I think I hear the traveler groaning in pain! The priest walks to the man and then slows near him. Injured man groans in pain.

TEACHER

Does the priest help him? What happens next? Audience answers.

NARRATOR

Can you believe it; the priest doesn't stop! He even crosses to the other side of the road, leaving the injured man behind! The priest walks hurriedly away.

TEACHER

What happens next? Audience answers

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NARRATOR

Then a Levite, a Temple assistant, comes walking by. Finally, someone will help the injured man! The Levite walks slowly to stand near the injured man and looks at him.

TEACHER

Does the Levite help him? What happens next?
Audience answers.

NARRATOR

Oh no; not again! The Levite walks away and leaves the poor traveler suffering on the side of the road! I think I hear him groaning again. The Levite walks hurriedly away, and the traveler groans.

TEACHER

What happens next? Audience answers

NARRATOR

Wait! Here comes another man—on a donkey! (sadly) But wait, he is a Samaritan. Samaritans and Jews hate each other! Samaritan pretends to ride a donkey, stops, and studies the man.

TEACHER

Does the Samaritan help him? What happens next?
Audience answers.

NARRATOR

Oh my! I can't believe my eyes! The Samaritan man gets off his donkey and kneels to help the injured man. He pours oil and wine on his wounds and bandages them. The Samaritan man kneels and cares for the injured man.

TEACHER

Does the Samaritan man leave the man behind? Hasn't he done more than enough already? What happens next? Audience answers.

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NARRATOR

The Samaritan isn't done yet! He helps the injured man onto his donkey and takes him to an inn to rest and heal. The Samaritan helps the man onto the donkey and walks along with him a short distance, helps him down and lays the man gently on the floor (in a bed).

TEACHER

What happens next? Audience answers.

NARRATOR

The next day, the Samaritan man gives the innkeeper two coins to pay for the man's expenses. Then he promises to come back and pay for additional costs if needed. The Samaritan man hands the innkeeper money. The innkeeper is surprised and shakes his head. The innkeeper goes beside the injured man and kneels to care for him. The Samaritan rides away.

NARRATOR

The end!

TEACHER

Now, is the story really over for us today? What does Jesus want us to do? Show mercy to others! Love our neighbors.