

Picture the Samaritan Helping a Stranger

A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead.... But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

(Luke 10:30, 33-34)

Choose a scene from this story that shows the kindness of the Samaritan and illustrate it. Before beginning, think about the answers to these questions:

- What happened to the man traveling on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho?
- What would have happened if he had been left on the road and no one helped him?
- What did the Samaritan do to help the man? (bandage his wounds, put him on his animal and took him to an inn, left money with the innkeeper to take care him)
- Which do you want to illustrate?

Suggested Materials:

white drawing paper
colored pencils, oil pastels, crayons, or colored markers

Procedure:

1. Look at the details of the story before beginning to make your picture.
 - Note that the robbers took the man's clothing. They probably took his robe, leaving him a short garment sort of like a sleeveless night shirt.
 - Oil and wine would be used to clean the wound before bandaging them with strips of cloth.
 - The Samaritan put the man on his own animal, probably a horse or donkey.
 - Since the man was badly hurt, he could not have sat up straight on the animal; he would have been slouching or lying upon it.
 - How would the Samaritan travel if he put the wounded man on his animal? He probably walked and led the animal along the road.
 - The inn would be like a house where people could pay money to spend the night.
2. After thinking about the details of the story, illustrate the part that you have chosen. Then add a quotation at the top or bottom of the page that tells which part of the story you illustrated.