## Yr 2 Good Samaritan Parent Cheat Sheet, Luke: 10:25-37

## 1. What did Jesus tell the man when he asked how to get to heaven?

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'

If we love God above all else, we will become more and more like Him. This will make it easier and easier for us to love others because GOD IS LOVE. The way that we love God with our whole heart and our whole mind and our whole strength is to spend time with him every day in prayer and to listen to his words in our heart. We can do this by praying words, by sitting silently listening to Him and by reading the Bible. When we spend time in prayer with others in church, we will come to love Him and others more and more because prayer together brings us closer as well.

## 2. Who is my Neighbour?

Today we spoke to the children about this concept. We discussed that our neighbour could be someone we don't know, and it could even be someone we may not really like or who may not like us!

The Samaritans were a group of people who lived in Samaria - an area north of Jerusalem. They were half-Jews and half-Gentiles. At the time of Jesus, the Israelites and the Samaritans did not deal with one another. Israelites looked down on the Samaritans. This makes this story an even better demonstration of the unconditional love that this man had for someone whom he did not know, was not supposed to be associated with and may not have liked him.

## 3. How can we show love to our neighbour?

Discuss things you might do as a family.

We can take part in things like gathering food for the food bank, or giving clothes to others, saying hi to people that look lonely in nursing homes or performing for them (dancing, singing etc.) and praying for others, for example.

Today the children made a special greeting card. Discuss who they might give it to. Try to think of someone outside of your regular circle of family and friends that might appreciate a card.

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