

THE GOOD SAMARITAN



One day, a Jewish man went out for a stroll along the road between Jerusalem and Jericho.



Along the way, two bandits jumped out onto the road and stole all the man's belongings.



The bandits stole his clothes, beat him up and left him for dead at the side of the road.



After a short while a priest walked by and saw the man lying on the ground.



Did the Priest help? No, he walked away.



The next traveller to walk by was a Levite. The Levite's job was to help with all the jobs at the Temple in Jerusalem.



Did the Levite help? No, he walked away.



Soon along came a Samaritan who saw the Jew lying on the ground.
Samaritans and Jews didn't usually get along at all.
They had different beliefs which made them treat each other badly.



Did the Samaritan help? Yes! The Samaritan couldn't leave the Jewish man to die.



The Samaritan covered the dying man in his cloak.



He put the man on his donkey and took him to a nearby inn.



He bought expensive medicines, wine, oil and bandages to heal the man.



Even though the Samaritans and Jews didn't often get along, the Samaritan showed the man kindness. He was a true neighbor to this stranger.



