



### 1. Prepare your heart and mind with God's Word.

**Our Purpose** for this study is to serve the needy. Ask the Lord to give you and your flock real love for the needy—love that yields good works

**Find** in Luke 10:25-37 how **the Caring Samaritan** showed *practical* love.

*[Answers: the Samaritan showed practical love by caring for the injured traveller. Jesus promises eternal life to believers who practice their faith this way.]*

What did Jesus promise those who do the same?

*[Answer: Compare Luke 10:25 with verse 47.]*

**Memorize** 1 John 3:17-18.

### 2. Plan with your co-workers activities that your people will do next week.

Write your plan on paper, and announce it to the congregation at the next worship meeting. Make your plan specific. Plan to find the neediest people, then serve them as Galatians 6:10 says, “**As we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.**”



### 3. Plan with co-workers the upcoming worship time.

**Pray** during worship for people in painful need in the community.

**Praise God** for spiritual victories. Ask for testimonies and reports of work done last week.

**Narrate Luke 10:25-37.** Prepare a helper to relate Jesus' account of the Good Samaritan. First ask everyone to listen carefully to discover two things:

- 1) How **the Caring Samaritan** showed *practical* love.
- 2) What Jesus promised to those who do the same.

Afterwards, ask different people what they discovered.

**Invite everyone to examine their heart, to confess their sins and celebrate the Lord's Supper.** To introduce communion, you or a helper might read 1 Cor.10:16-17. Then explain that we *partake* in Christ's body. The Word of God became flesh and lived among us. He was born in Bethlehem, where Boaz once cultivated barley. 'Bethlehem' means 'house of bread.' It was where Jesus became flesh and blood, so he could become the Bread of Life for us.

**Apply God's Word. Options:**

**Option 1. The Good Samaritan.** Let adults and children act out together the story from Luke 10:25-37. Younger ones can do the part of the thieves who attack the traveller. Let an adult man be the donkey.

**Option 2. Mr. Tradition.** Let someone play the part of "Mr. Tradition." Ask him if he agrees with the Samaritan. He argues that we ought to spend all our time winning souls for Jesus, and not waste time doing social work. Ask the people to answer him. If they are shy, then correct him yourself, in your own words, by explaining what Jesus told us to do.