

WITNESS – Reaching out to others
(Aim for 20 – 30 minutes)

Practising praying with people.

In 2's, each person in turn share

“What’s been the worst thing that has happened this week?”

Ask “Is it OK for me to put a hand on your shoulder?”

Then reach out a hand put it on your neighbour’s shoulder and pray for them.

LUKE'S PARABLES

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THE GOOD SAMARITAN Luke 10.25-37

WELCOME – Breaking the ice
(Aim for 10 minutes)

What has been the best thing that has happened this week?

OR

When have you felt closest to God this week?

WORSHIP – Meeting the Lord
(Aim for 10 – 15 minutes)

Each person in turn, say “Thank you” to God for the best thing that has happened OR when God has felt closest this week.

WORD – Applying the truth
(Aim for 40 – 45 minutes)

Read Luke 10.25-37

1 If you don't know that someone's a Christian, how might you tell?

2 In verses 25-29 what do we learn about the man who dialogues with Jesus?

3 What does Jesus perceive about this man's understanding of the law?

4 To challenge the expert Jesus portrays the hero in his parable as a Samaritan. This despised outsider proves obedience to God's law of love by his actions. Note the specific ways that he "took pity" on the victim (vv. 33-35). What could be Jesus' reasons for including such details?

5 What was right about what the Samaritan did?

6 What are examples of people being like the Good Samaritan today?

7 Why is it hard for us to be like the Samaritan today?

8 Who are the people in need in our society and what can we do to help them?

What is St Lawrence's doing already to help the last, the least and the lost?

What else could you do?