

Treasure Cove Ride Home Review

A family discussion guide for the ride home and all week long

The Good Samaritan

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Luke 10:27—"He answered, "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."

1 Casting off — Ahoy parents! Today we continued to learn more about what it means to love our neighbors as we love ourselves.

In the parable of the Good Samaritan we can learn what it means to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. Often we focus on the actions of the Samaritan, the man who stops to help his 'neighbor,' because he shows us how helping others is being a good neighbor to them. But we can also learn about being a good neighbor by looking at the actions of the men who didn't stop and help.

The parable doesn't tell us why the first two men didn't stop; maybe they were afraid or they might have been in a hurry to get somewhere else. Although we don't know why they didn't help the injured man, we do know they weren't treating him the way they would want to be treated.

God doesn't ask us to treat our neighbors like they treat us; He commands us to treat others like we want them to treat us. Sometimes we can get so focused on meeting our own needs we don't notice the needs of the people around us, and we don't treat them the way we want them to treat us.

Loving our neighbors as we love ourselves means we treat them with kindness and respect. It means we pay attention to the people God puts in our life. Being a good neighbor means we share, we apologize when we have done something wrong, and we look for opportunities to show them God's love. Loving our neighbors as we love ourselves means we are obeying God's Commandments.

#2 Review- Did you know you can watch the Treasure Cove Drama online? Check it out on the church website: nfcnaz.org

What story is Mrs. Stifleman reading to the people in Treasure Cove? (She is reading them the story of the Good Samaritan.)

Why are some of the people crying? (They are missing their valued possessions.)

Why does Mrs. Stifleman decide to give her cookies to her dog, Lancey? (She doesn't think the people in Treasure Cove are being good neighbors to one another.)

How does Daisy think she can show love to her Zamboobini neighbors? (She wants to show them love by telling them that God loves them.)

What does Daisy do when she finds out one of her 'neighbors' might be hurt? (She goes to find the person so she can help them.)

Who is acting like the Good Samaritan in Treasure Cove? (Daisy is like the Good Samaritan.)

#3 Let's talk about it!

Do you think you would have helped the injured man in the parable of the Good Samaritan?

Why or why not?

What can you do in your family that shows you love others the way you love yourself?

What can you do at school or work that will show you love others the way you love yourself?

#4 Daily Directions

☐Monday 1 Sam. 16:7

☐Tuesday Prov. 21 2-3 ☐Wednesday John 15:12-13

☐Thursday 1 Cor. 13:13 ☐Friday Heb. 13:16

□Saturday Mark 12:32-33