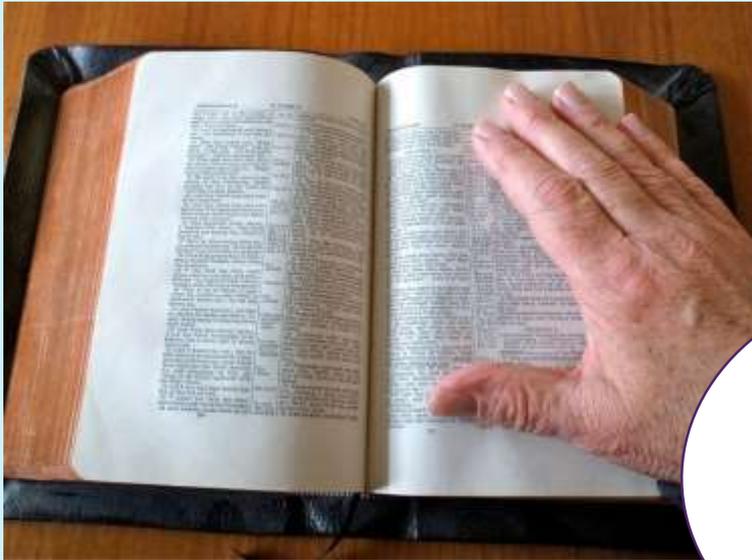


The Good Samaritan



The Bible



The Bible is a special book for Christians and is made up of two sections.

It has lots of stories and teachings, which help Christians lead their lives.



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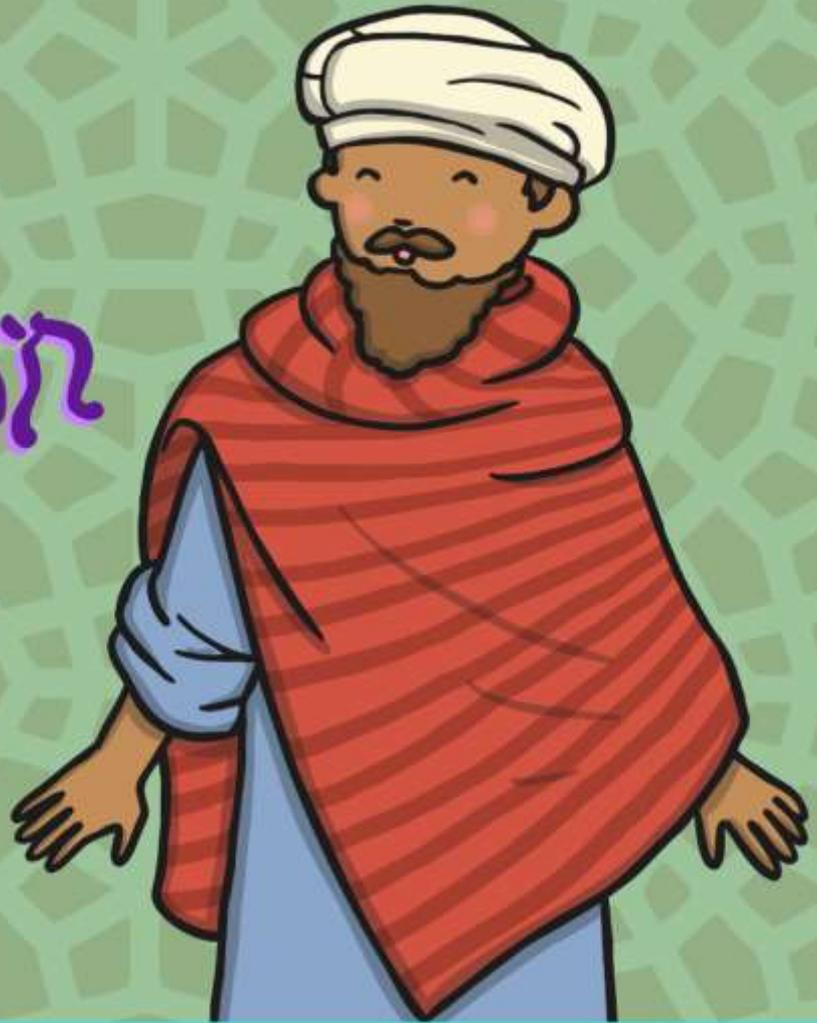
Samaritan
A person from Samaria.



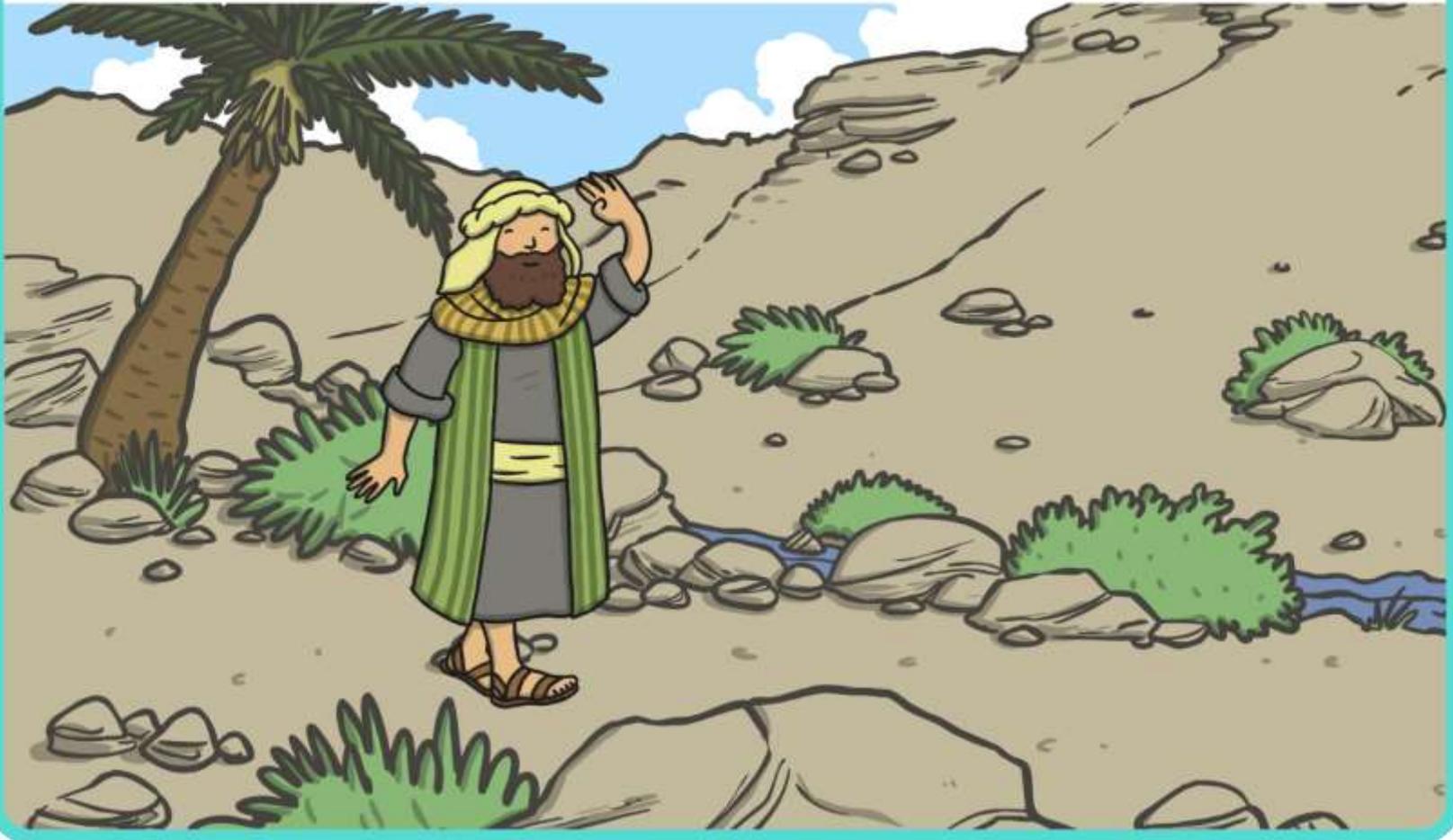
Samaritan
A person who helps other people.



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.



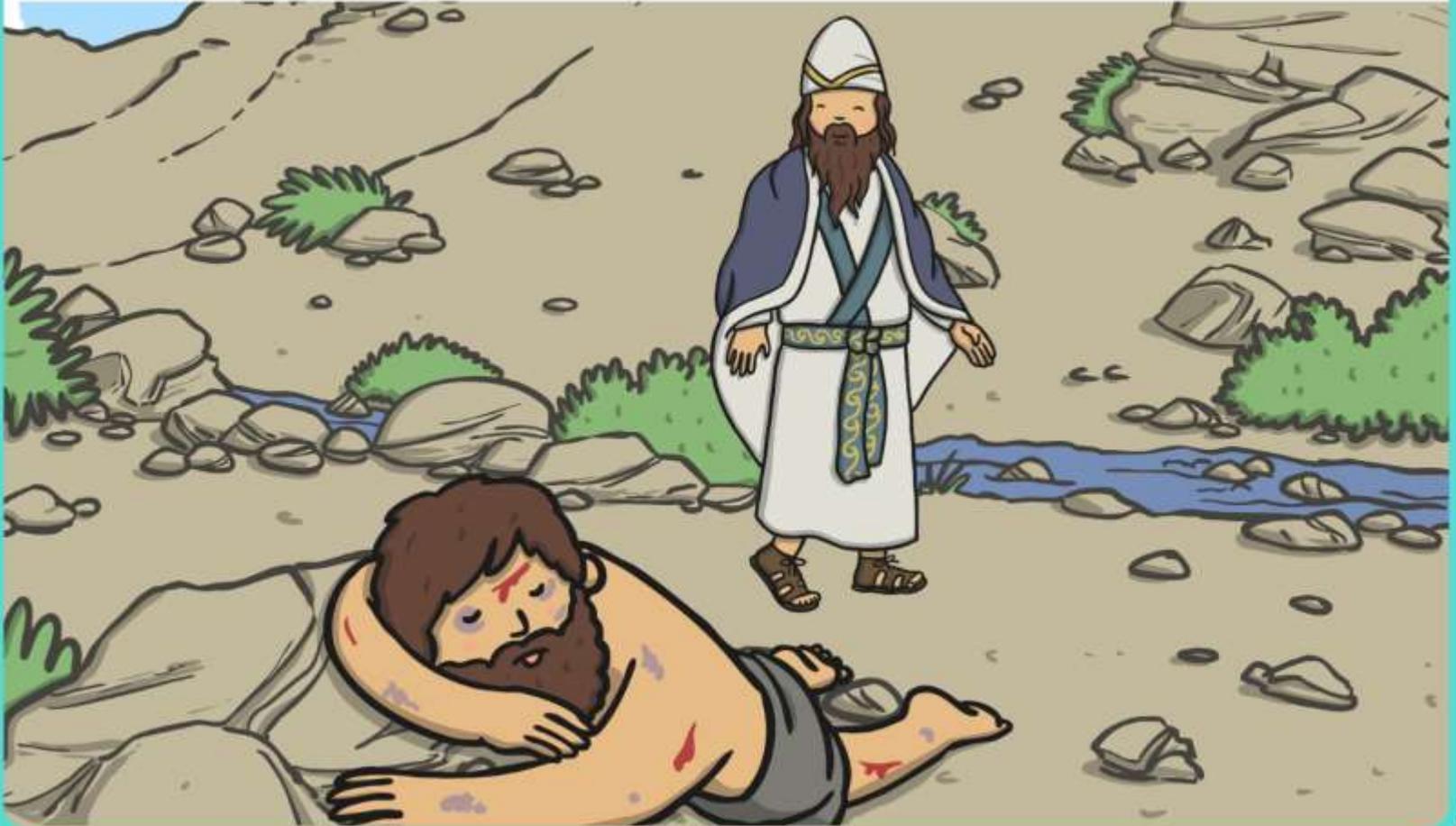
After a short while, a priest walked by and saw the man lying on the ground.



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 the running of 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.



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 wine, oil and bandages to heal the man.



The Samaritan paid the innkeeper two silver coins to nurse the man better and said, "If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you next time I'm here."



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



What Was Jesus Trying To Teach Christians?



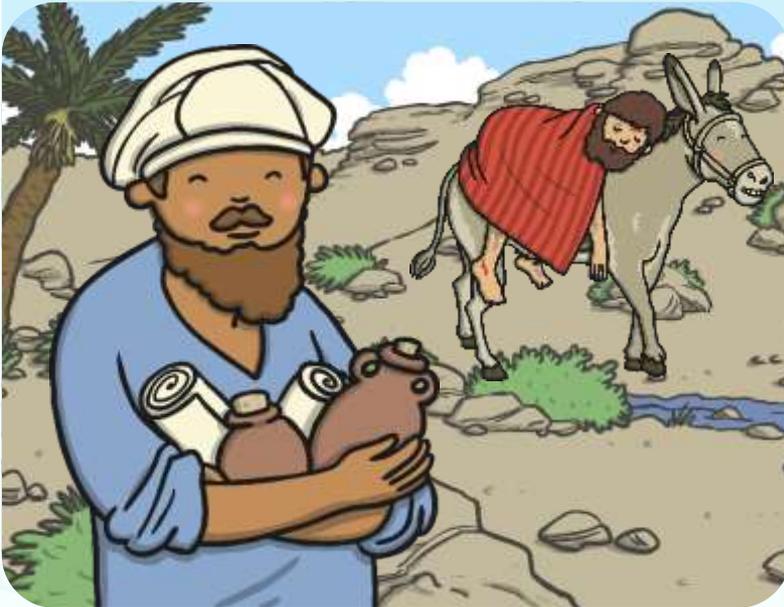
Think about the story. With a grown up, talk about what you think Jesus was trying to teach Christians.



How Can The Story Help Us?



What things in the story show acts of kindness?



Think of a time when someone has been kind to you. What did they do and how did it make you feel?



How could you be kind to the people around you?

How Can The Story Help Us?



Look at the eggs. They all look slightly different on the outside. Watch what happens when we break them.



No matter what the eggs look like on the outside, they are all the same on the inside, just like people!