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#sweet - 2 Corinthians 2:15 | Luke 10:25-37

MAIN IDEA

When you walk into a room you can instantly recognise a sweet smell. We are to be a sweet fragrance to God and those around us.

MEMORY VERSE

We can be mirrors that brightly reflect the glory of the Lord. And as the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him.

2 Corinthians 3:18b (TLB)

SONGS

My God - https://youtu.be/2_eRnF0oXaE

Bible Books - <https://youtu.be/ixMvFdeo-F0>

Read Scripture reference

Luke 10:30-37

LESSON

The priest and the Levite could have helped the hurt man but thought of themselves first and chose to not help. Although the hurt man and the Samaritan would have thought of each other as enemies the Samaritan saw the man's need and chose to help.

Just like a nice smelling candle or flowers can make a room feel good and inviting. When we genuinely care for others, no matter who they are and seek to love other people we are like a sweet smell that pleases God.

The people around us will start to notice "how sweet we smell" too. When we genuinely love and care we are reflecting God's Love to the world.

30 In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. **31** A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side.

32 So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. **33** But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. **34** He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. **35** The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

36 "Which of these three do you think was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?"

37 The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

Luke 10:30-37

MAKE IT STICK!

5 Simple Ways You Can Make This Lesson Stick With your Kids

IN THE CAR:



Ask your child what they learned about this week:

Paul says in 2 Corinthians that we are to be a sweet smell to those around us. When something smells nice we can recognise it and it draws us closer. When we are good neighbours to those around us, thinking of them first before we think of ourself that's when we become a sweet smell to others and to God!

HANGING OUT:



Make this week's lesson real:

Go out on a smell walk together. Go into the street or the bush if you can and talk about what you can smell together, stop to smell flowers and other things around you. Reflect on how when we are good to those around us just like we can recognise a good smell or a bad smell they can recognise God's Love in us.

AT DINNER:



Here are some great discussion starters:

- What's your favourite smell?
- What does it look like to be a sweet smelling neighbour?
- How can this show people Jesus?

AT BEDTIME:



Quiz your child on this week's memory verse:

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PARENT TIME:



What you need to know:

In his letter to the Corinthians Paul reflects that to some we will be a life giving aroma but to others the aroma of death. This will not always be an easy thing to reconcile and we need to keep reminding our kids and ourselves that it is still always important that we are reflecting the character of God and following Jesus.



