

# Just Do It for Jesus

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for use as  
**STEP 1**



### Lesson 13

#### Focus:

Whatever we do for others, we do for Christ.

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#### Bible Basis:

Matthew 25: 31-40

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#### Memory Verse:

“Whatever you did for one of the least of these brother and sisters of mine, you did for me.”  
—Matthew 25:40b

**Your students will discuss a video experiment illustrating our biases against the poor as they consider their response to “the least of these.”**

#### Materials:

- Internet access

After students are arrived, tell them you’ll watch a video about a social experiment conducted to see how people would respond to someone in need. Watch the video with your class and then discuss the following questions [0:54]:

Would you help this homeless kid?

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/gCarCU-wDz0>

- **This video shows a young girl who is homeless on the street. How did most people react to her?** (They walked by, ignored her, etc.)
- **What do you think causes us to treat people differently? What does this video experiment suggest about our human nature?** (Students will likely be able to express how our compassion is often influenced by outer appearances.)
- **Have you or your family ever stopped to help someone you didn’t know? Share your experience.** (Answers will vary. Be careful to not let one student’s details spill over into a long narrative.)

**God will always bring people into our lives who need our love and compassion. Let’s see what the Bible says about how to treat others.**

(Continue on to Steps 2 and 3 in your teacher’s guide; your Step 4 appears below.)

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**Materials:**

- Photocopies of various Bible passage (see below)
- Scratch paper
- Cardstock
- Pens/pencils
- Markers

If your class is meeting online, email a document with the Bible passages for students to print and bring with them to class, along with markers, pens/pencils, scratch paper, and cardstock.

Ahead of time, access some stock images of aid symbols, helping hands, and other rescue images from the website below. You will show these digital versions to students on your screen or shared screen later. (Note: You do not need to purchase these icons!)

Rescue icons

<https://www.gettyimages.ca/detail/illustration/charity-and-relief-pixel-perfect-icons-royalty-free-illustration/801881984?adppopup=true>

**Jesus uses us to reach those who are hurting or in despair. And in that instant, our service to them becomes direct service to Him—it is a way we worship Him.**

Provide students with blank scratch paper. Show them the aid symbols and other rescue images here:

Rescue icons

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After they practice drawing several images of their choice (using the icons for inspiration), give them cardstock to draw their final design version for a reminder poster. Have them fill in the blank areas using key phrases like: “Called to rescue,” or “Serving them, serving Jesus,” etc.

➤ **Feeling sorry for someone is not the same as seeing them with God's eyes. How can we do more than just pity people?** (Jesus doesn't want us to just feel sorry for people or do nice things to make us feel good about ourselves. He wants us to treat them with dignity and point them to Jesus and His gospel message of hope.)

**Consider how you will respond. Think of one way you can show love to someone who is hurting—the kind of love you would show Jesus. Follow through with that this week and let your poster be a reminder to look for opportunities to worship Jesus in this way.**

Close in prayer.

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