

SECOND SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

THEME FOR THE MONTH:

DO UNTO OTHERS – TEACHING LOVE AND COMPASSION

"Do to others as you would have them do to you." – Luke 6:31



LESSON 2: HOW JESUS TEACHES US TO BE COMPASSIONATE

Key Verse: 1 Peter 3:8–9 – “Be compassionate... do not repay insult with insult.”

Story Source: *To Tease a Bumble* (Rumbly asks Hartlie for help after being teased)

Supporting Bible Character: The Bent-Over Woman (Luke 13:10–17) – Jesus saw her broken body and showed compassion.

Memory Verse: Luke 6:31 – “Do to others as you would have them do to you.”

Opening Prayer

"Dear Lord, thank You for bringing us together today. Please help us see others with Your eyes, feel with Your heart, and treat everyone with love and compassion. Amen."

Lesson Objectives

By the end of today's lesson, children will:

- Understand how to show compassion to those who are different or struggling.
- Learn from Rumbly and the Bent-Over Woman that kindness can heal hearts.
- Practice empathy, caring, and supportive actions instead of fear or teasing.

Story Exposition

The Bog was warm and dusty, and little Rumbly Bumble shuffled along with his mom. His legs wobbled, tottered, and sometimes he tripped over sticks. It made him feel clumsy and unsure, especially when some of the other critters teased him.

Rumbly felt his little heart tighten. "Why do I wobble like this?" he whispered to himself. "Why do some critters laugh at me for being different?"

He thought for a moment and then said to his mom, "I wish someone would help them understand. I wish I could show them that everyone is special, no matter how they look or move."

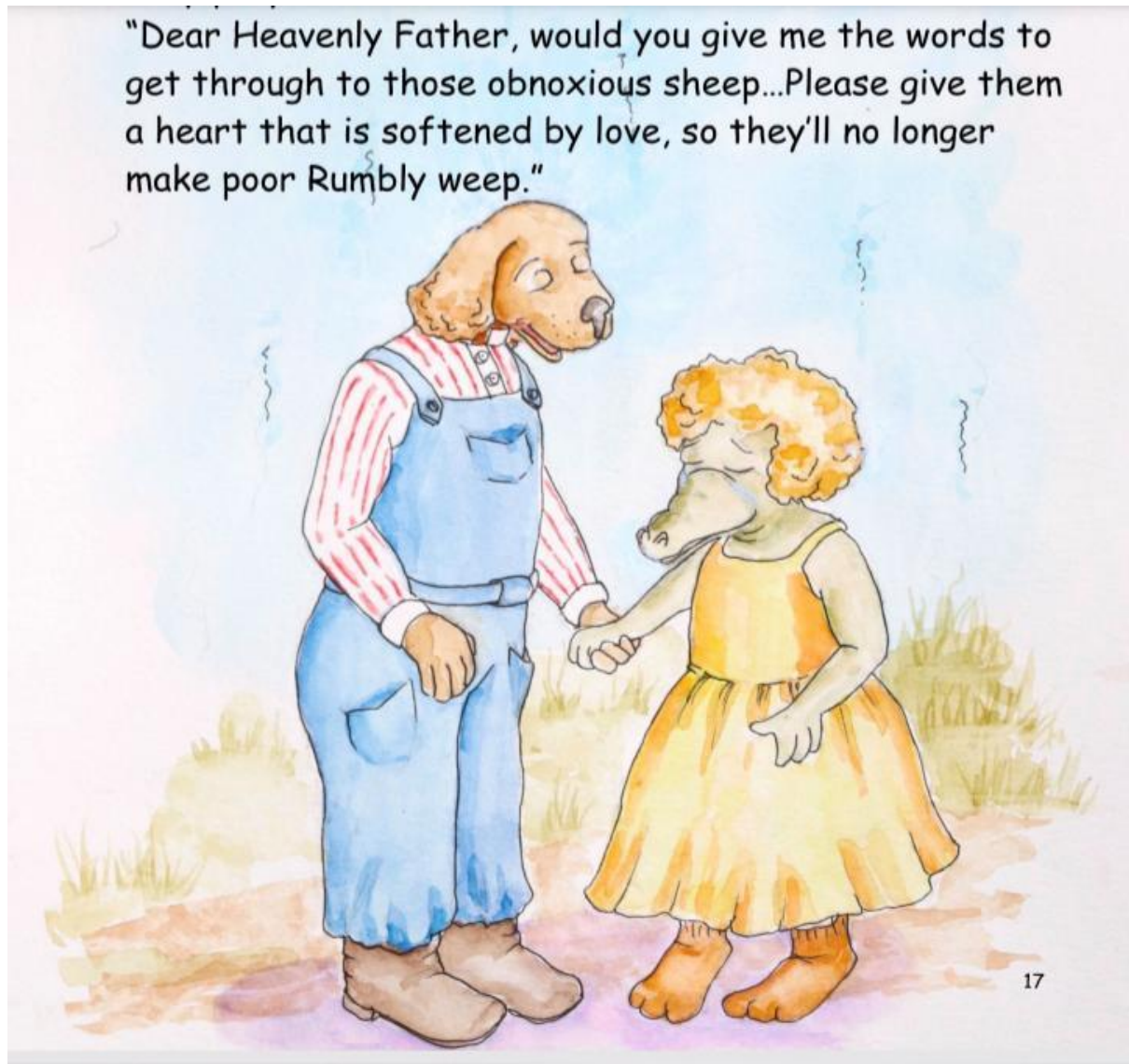
His mom smiled gently and said, "Let's ask Hartlie. He will help you understand—and maybe teach others to be kind too."



Rumbly found Hartlie and shared his worries. Hartlie listened carefully, his eyes kind and warm. "Rumbly," he said, "some people tease because they do not understand. But God teaches us to show love, even when others are unkind. Just like Jesus showed compassion to the woman who was bent over and could not stand up straight, we too can choose to help and care for others."

Rumbly's eyes brightened. He realized that even if others laughed at him, he could respond with kindness. Together, Hartlie and Rumbly prayed for courage and compassion.

When they returned to the schoolyard, Rumbly felt ready to show others the Golden Rule: treat everyone as you want to be treated.



Bible Connection

- **The Bent-Over Woman:** Jesus saw her struggle and healed her, showing us how to respond with love and care. (Luke 13:10–17).
- **Rumbly and Hartlie:** Rumbly asked for help and learned to show compassion, just like Jesus.
- Both stories teach children to notice when someone is struggling and to respond with **love**, not fear or teasing.

How to Treat Others God's Way

- **Notice when someone is struggling** – Look with eyes of love.
- **Use kind words** – Encourage and cheer others up.
- **Offer help** – A hand, a smile, or a kind gesture can make a big difference.
- **Pray for others** – Ask God to help you love everyone, even those who are mean.

Conclusion

Some people might wobble, walk differently, or look different. That's okay! God wants us to respond with compassion, not fear or laughter. Rumbly learned that asking for help and showing kindness changes hearts. The Bent-Over Woman reminds us that **Jesus cares for everyone**, no matter how they struggle.

Lessons Derived:

- Compassion is stronger than teasing.
- Everyone deserves love, care, and respect.
- Showing kindness can help heal hearts.

Questions

1. How did Rumbly feel when others teased him?
2. What did Hartlie teach Rumbly about helping and loving others?
3. How did Jesus show compassion to the Bent-Over Woman?
4. What are some ways you can be kind to someone who looks or moves differently?

Prayer Focus

"Lord Jesus, thank You for helping me see others with Your heart. Teach me to show love, help those who struggle, and be compassionate every day. Amen."

Weekly Devotional Reading

- **Monday:** 1 Peter 3:8–9 – Be compassionate and forgiving.
- **Tuesday:** Luke 6:31 – Treat others as you want to be treated.
- **Wednesday:** James 2:8 – Love your neighbor as yourself.
- **Thursday:** Proverbs 12:25 – Kind words cheer the heart.
- **Friday:** Galatians 6:10 – Do good to everyone.
- **Saturday:** 1 Peter 4:8 – Love covers over a multitude of sins.

Assignment

This week, notice someone who might struggle or look different:

- Draw or write about them.

- Think of one way to help or encourage them.
- Next Sunday, share your act of compassion or what you learned.