

## LESSON

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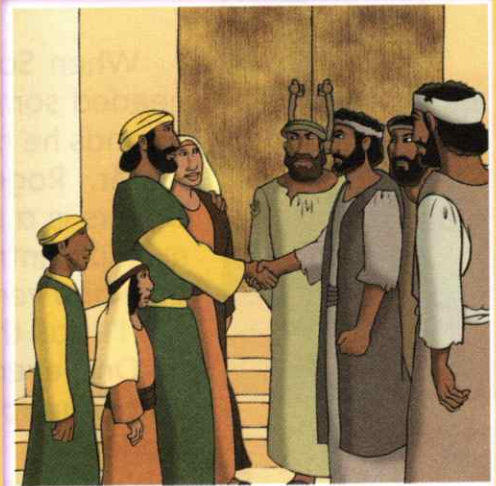
## Justice for All

After God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, Moses then gave the Israelites God's laws for being good to everyone.

He told them to tell the truth. They must not lie or help someone who was not telling the truth. They must not follow people who were doing the wrong things or agree with someone who was wrong.

They must help others by helping their animals that may have gotten lost—even if they did not like the people. They must be good to the poor and not help others who want to hurt people who are *innocent* (have done nothing wrong). They must not accept money to do something wrong, because only innocent people would be hurt. They must not hurt someone from another country. Moses reminded them that they were foreigners in Egypt.

Moses explained the Sabbath laws. For six years, they could grow in the fields. But in the seventh year, they must let the land rest—meaning not plow or use the land. In the seventh year, the poor could get food from that field. Wild animals could eat what was left in the field. They should work six days but then rest (not work) on the seventh day.



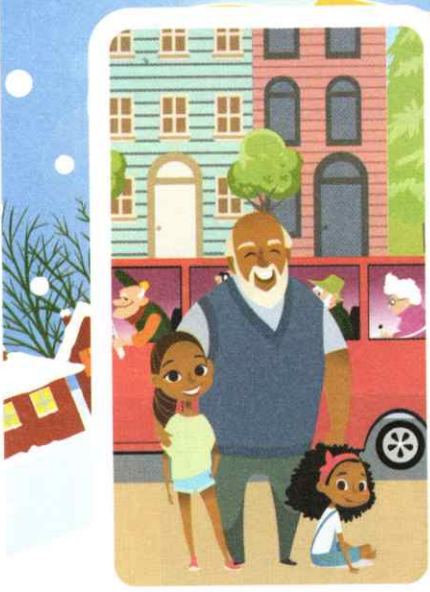
### Lesson Scripture:

Exodus 23:1-12

### Key Verse

[God's words to His people]: "Be careful to do everything I have said to you." (Exodus 23:13a)





## They Care for Him

When Samara's Grandpa Thomas stopped driving, he needed someone to drive him to appointments and other errands he had done for himself in the past.

Mr. Rogers, Grandpa Thomas's friend, said, "Silver Drivers is a really good group of people. They take me to my appointments and other places. They are always on time and very nice."

"I'll call them today," Grandpa noted.

One evening, Samara asked, "When are we going to visit Grandpa? I miss seeing him. He always tells the best stories."

Samara's dad said, "Since he stopped driving, Silver Drivers takes him to meet with other grandparents. They have fun watching movies, playing games, and attending local festivals."

Anston, Samara's sister, said, "I'm glad Grandpa has friends. He's not at home alone."

Their dad said, "I think they do care for Grandpa too. He's happy."

"I still miss Grandpa," Samara admitted sadly.

Samara's dad said, "Samara, try to be happy that God gave Grandpa people to help him and they really care for him too."

Anston said, "I miss Grandpa, but I'm happy he has met other people who care for him too."



### \*\*\*\*\* Exploring the Story in Ruby's Lab \*\*\*\*\*



We should be fair and loving toward others!



Hello, everyone! Ruby here! In today's lesson, God (through Moses) told the Israelites rules to be good to others. Today, we can obey God and be good to others too. How can we show that we care for others? God wants us to love others as we love ourselves. When we do, we show others that we care.

Let's look at the map of where the Israelites traveled from Egypt (where they were slaves) to the Promised Land. God gave them laws to follow. Because of God's love for them, they should be able to show others kindness. This week, look for and take opportunities to show others love and fairness.