

## The Lion King

### Inspiration ...

Watch the whole film if you can. If you can't, here is the link to the trailer:

 [https://www.imdb.com/video/vi3764362265/?playlistId=tt0110357?ref\\_ext\\_shr\\_lnk](https://www.imdb.com/video/vi3764362265/?playlistId=tt0110357?ref_ext_shr_lnk)



According to IMDb as of Sept 2022 the certificate for this film is: **PG**

### Biblical Reference:

#### Luke 10:25-37 verse 33:

*'But a Samaritan, as he travelled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him.'*  
(New International Version)



### Prayer

Dear God, help us to be the Good Samaritan for those around us, help us to see the physical and emotional needs of others and shows us ways that we can help. Lord, we know that life cannot be problem free, but help us to rest in You, knowing that You are in control.

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## The Good Samaritan

### Link exploration:

Timon and Pumba help Simba when he needs it most. Simba was vulnerable, a small lion, hungry and weary, the buzzards were circling overhead waiting for the right time to obtain an easy tasty snack. Having unwittingly scared away the birds, Timon and Pumba realise that they are faced with a lion and Timon is all for a quick getaway, but Pumba takes pity on Simba, saying 'It's just a little lion'. They take Simba out of the heat of the sun into the shade and look after him until he regains consciousness. This links in so clearly with the parable of The Good Samaritan. Simba was more than physically unwell and Timon and Pumba try to help Simba's emotional health also. They try to help him move forward.

### Personal challenge

- Discuss any decisions you have to make with God – ask for His guidance – note this in a journal.
- Have you made bad decisions in the past? Talk to God about the consequences of those decisions and ask for forgiveness, wisdom and guidance for the way forward.
- Timon and Pumba use the song Hakuna Matata to try to help Simba face the bad decision (to leave the pride) that he made. How can you help others who have made the wrong decision, to put things right?
- What other Biblical messages can you see through this film?

