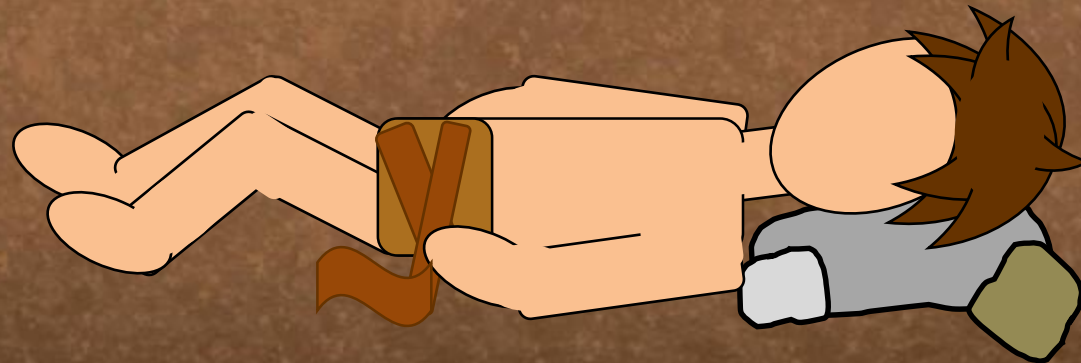


# Parable of the Good Samaritan

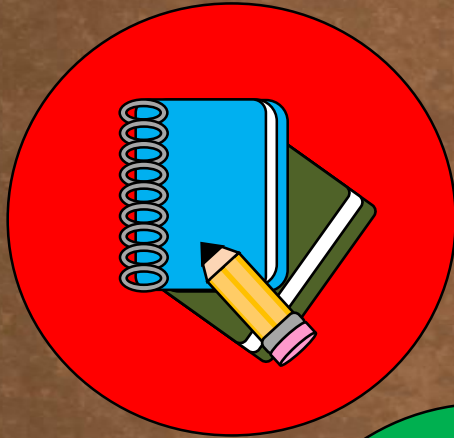
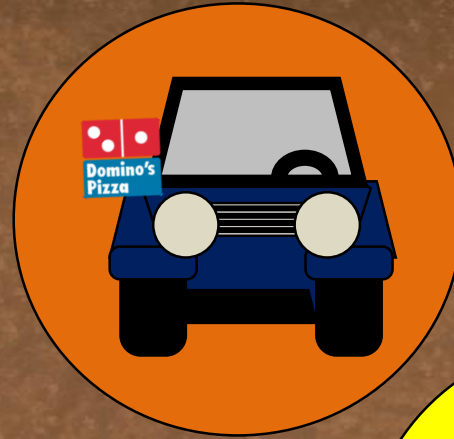
## Luke 10:1-37



*Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. Luke 10:27*



Do you ever feel like you have too much responsibility?



# Appointing the Seventy

An office in the Melchizedek Priesthood

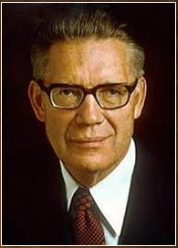
Luke is the only Gospel writer to record that Jesus Christ called the Seventy, in addition to the Twelve Apostles, to preach the gospel and prepare the way for Him.



The Savior's calling of the Seventy and instructions to them were similar to the instructions He gave to His Twelve Apostles.

**See Matthew 10**

# Modern Day Seventy



Because modern Apostles cannot go everywhere they are needed, they assign members of the Seventy to minister in their stead.



“Each of the Seventy has had conferred upon him the apostolic authority. ... The Seventy go where the Twelve, limited by their number, cannot. Seventies are scattered across the world, as they were in the early days of the Church.”

The Seventy today are called to be “traveling ministers”, while deacons and teachers and elders are appointed to be “standing ministers unto the church.”

**The Lord calls laborers in addition to the Apostles to represent Him and to assist Him in His work**

# The Need For Laborers



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# Worldwide Statistics

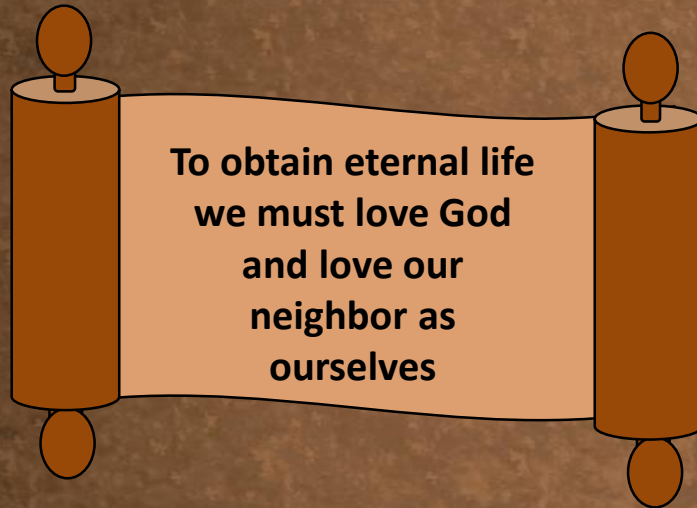
As of May 2016

Missionaries	74,079
Missions	418
Mission Training Centers	15
Seminary Students Enrolled	407,971



Just think: if all the Senior Seminary Students enrolled in last year, graduating class of 2016 went on missions in the next year or two, what would be the result?

# Who is My Neighbor?



The Parable of the  
Good Samaritan Luke 10:30-37

# *Went down...*

- One early Christian writer saw in this phrase the descent of Adam from the garden into this world – from immortality to mortality.
- The story implies that the man went down intentionally, knowing the risks that would be involved in the journey. No one forced him to go down to Jericho.
- He apparently felt that the journey was worth the well-known risks of such travel.







Bourges

Jesus depicts the person as going down from Jerusalem. Because of the sanctity of the holy temple-city, early Christians readily saw in this element the idea that a person had come down from the presence of God.

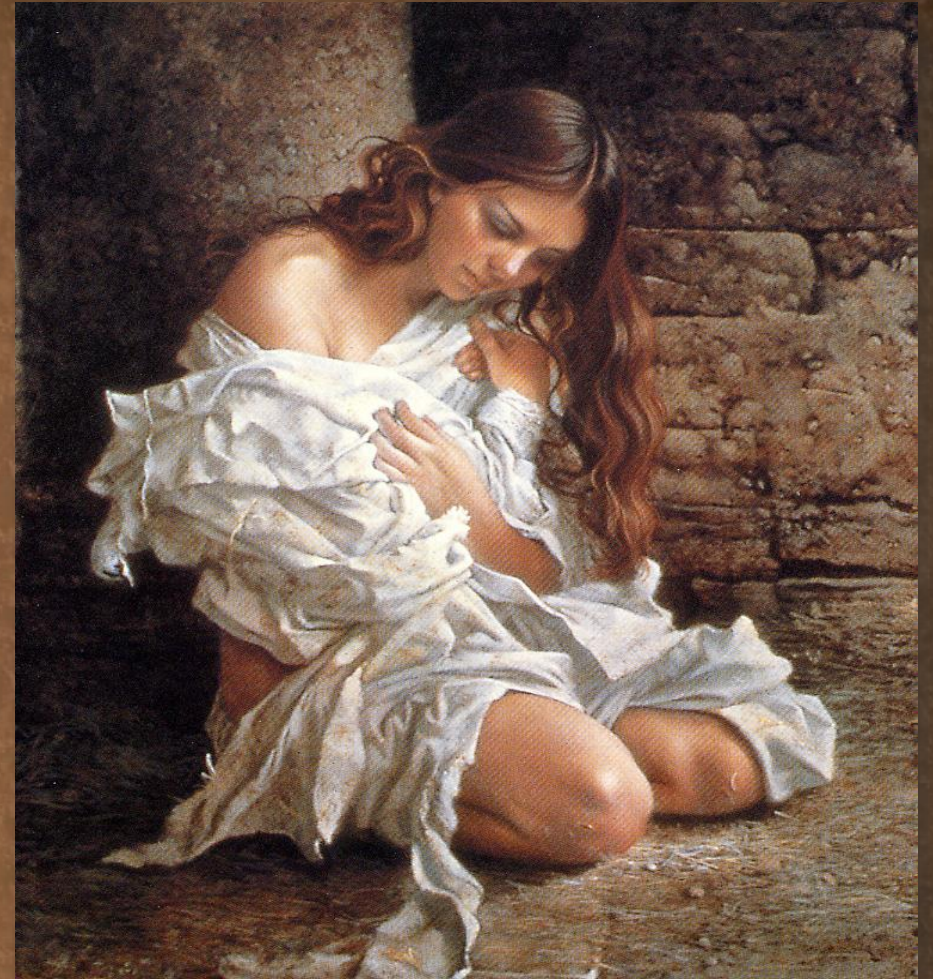
*To Jericho...*

Jericho was identified with this world  
Jericho is the lowest city on earth  
(825 feet below sea level)



*Fell...*

- It is easy to see here an allusion to the fallen mortal state and to the plight of individual sinfulness:
  - “Yea, all are fallen and are lost.” Alma 34:9



The parable of the Woman Taken in Adultery by James C. Christensen

# *Among thieves...*

- The early Christian writers variously saw the thieves or robbers as the devil and his satanic forces, evil spirits, or false teachers.
- These thieves were not casual operators.
- The traveler was assailed by a band of pernicious highwaymen in a scheming, organized society that acted with deliberate and concerted intent.



Who are the  
thieves of  
Today?



This scene from the Bourges window shows the traveler falling among robbers and appears in the context of scenes depicting the creation and fall of Adam.

## *Which stripped him of his raiment...*



- The attackers apparently wanted the traveler's clothing, for no mention is made of any wealth or commodities he might be carrying.
- For some reason, the robbers seem interested in his garment, something brought down from the holy place and something they envy and want to take away.

**What are some of the things people might want to take away from you?**

## *And wounded him...*

- This term was seen as a similitude of the pains of life, travails of the soul, and afflictions due to diverse sins and vices. Indeed, the enemies of the soul leave wounds.
- Transgression has real effects.



# *Half dead...*



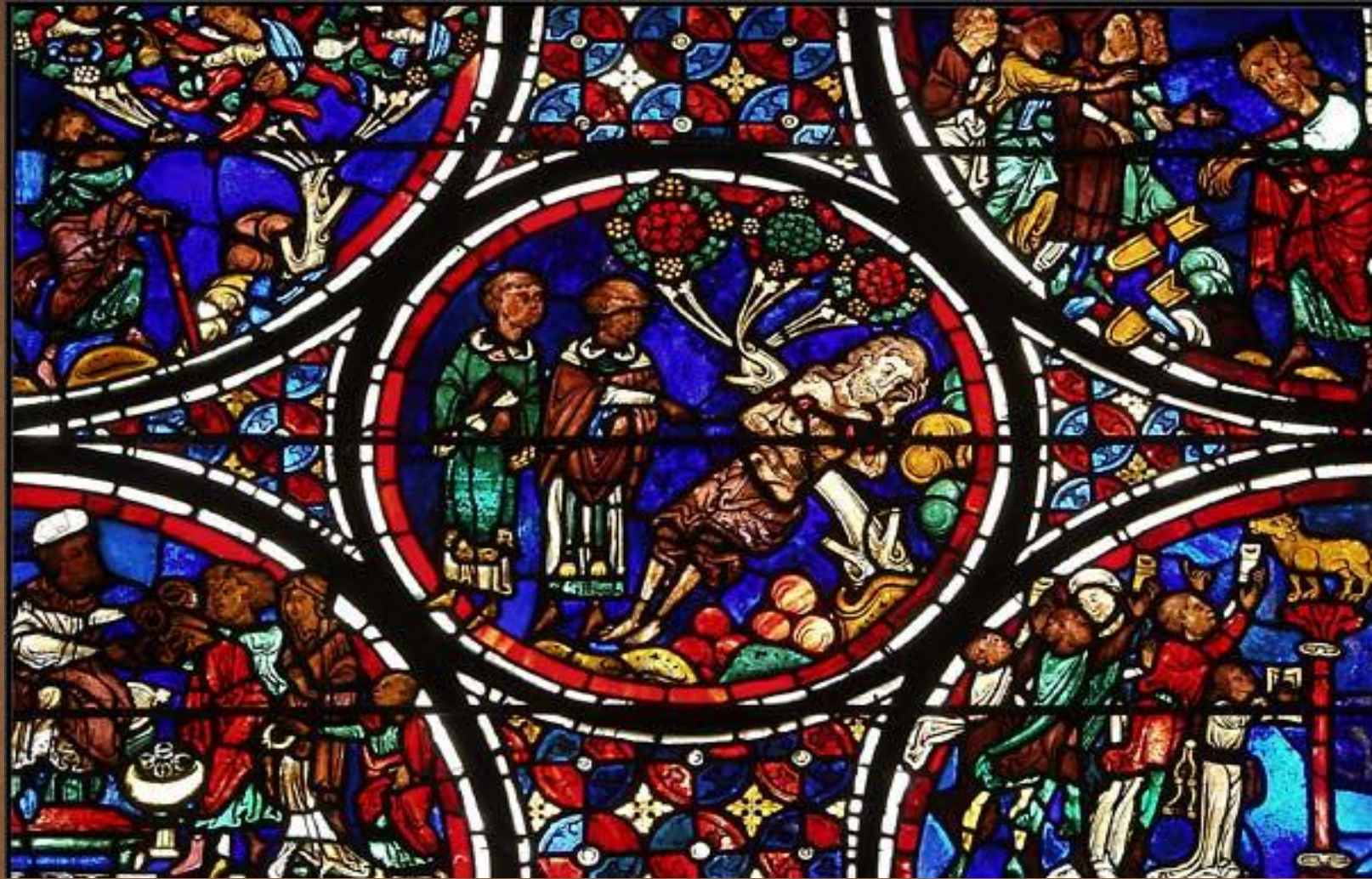
- The robbers departed, leaving the person precisely “half dead.” We may see in this detail an allusion to the first and second deaths.
- The person had fallen, had become subject to sin, and had suffered the first death, becoming mortal.
- But the second death, the permanent separation from God, could still be averted.



# Luke 10:31-32

- “And by chance there came down a certain priest (representing the law of Moses) that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side.”
- “And likewise a Levite” -representing the Old Testament prophets, whose word the Lord came to fulfill
- The Levite came close to helping – perhaps he wanted to help, but he lacked the power to save the dying person.





This scene in the window at Bourges with the priest and Levite is surrounded by images of Moses.  
Notice the golden calf in the lower right scene.

# Luke 10:33-34

- “But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine...”
- What do these key words symbolize?



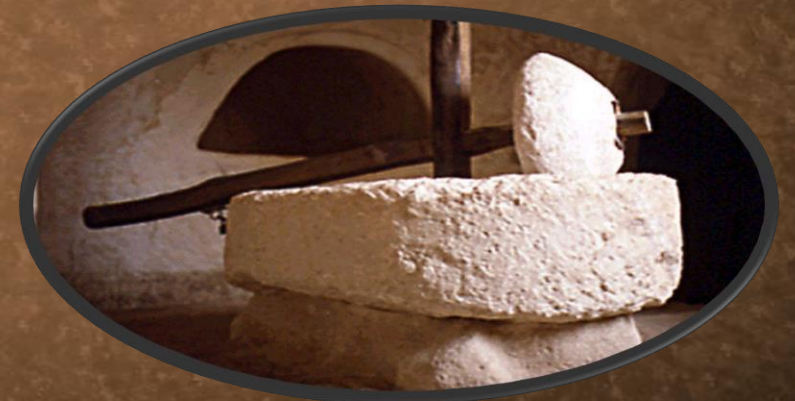
# *Bound his wounds...*



- Do the bandages represent love, faith and hope, “ligatures of salvation which cannot be undone?”
- Does Christ bind us up with his teachings?
- Do we understand that we are bound to the Lord through covenants?

# *Oil...*

- An olive oil lotion is very soothing.
- One early author, Chrysostom, saw this as a “holy anointing” – which may refer to several priesthood ordinances, the healing of the sick, the gift of the Holy Ghost (often symbolized by olive oil), or the anointing of a king or queen.



## *Wine...*

- In addition to rendering physical help, a truly good Samaritan administers the saving principles and ordinances of the gospel as well.
- The wine may sting at first, but its effects soon bring healing peace.

The Repentance process is very difficult at first, but you can be forgiven and spiritually healed.



## *Set him on his own beast*

- Christ, fulfilling prophecy, bears our infirmities. The Samaritan's beast was thought to symbolize Christ's body.
- Being placed on his beast is to believe that God became flesh, bore our sins, and suffered for us.



# *And brought him to an inn...*



- For the early Christians this element readily symbolized the Church. An “inn” was a “public house open to all.”
- A public shelter is comparable to the Church of Christ in several ways.
- A wayside inn is not the heavenly destination but a necessary aid in helping travelers reach their eternal home.







Early commentators believed the Samaritan stayed with the traveler through the night in the inn

# Luke 10:35

- “And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee.”
- On the morrow – Early commentators saw here the idea that Jesus would rise on Resurrection morning. Christ ministered in person to His disciples for a short time. After His Ascension, He left the traveler to be cared for by the Church.



## *Two Pence could symbolize...*

- The father and the Son
- Old and New Testament
- Two priesthoods
- Two witnesses to the truth
- The two denarii represented two days' wages. These coins could well represent making adequate provision for the needs of the person.
- The temple tax for each male was two denarii (half a shekel).



# Jesus Christ is our most exemplary neighbor!

- How can we be like Him?
- Who is our neighbor?



Simon Dewey



Jesus Christ our  
Savior will rescue  
us, each one of us,  
in sin,  
transgression,  
sickness,  
loneliness, all that  
and more

Go, and do thou likewise

Sources:

Suggested Hymn: #220 Lord, I Would Follow Thee

*Video:*

**The Good Samaritan** (12:23)

“Parable of the Good Samaritan” (5:11)



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Event	Matthew	Mark	Luke	John
Parable of the Good Samaritan			10:25-37	
Jesus Visit Mary and Martha			10:38-42	
Return of the Seventy	11:25-27		10:17-24	

**Seventies Luke 10:1-2:**

This same office exists in the restored Church today. (If possible, show the pages titled “General Authorities and General Officers of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints” in the most recent conference issue of the *Ensign* or *Liahona*.) There are now multiple quorums of the Seventy, though only members of the first two quorums are called as General Authorities. Each quorum may have up to 70 members. Their work to preach the gospel and help administer the Church is directed by the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles and the Presidency of the Seventy. Guide to the scriptures

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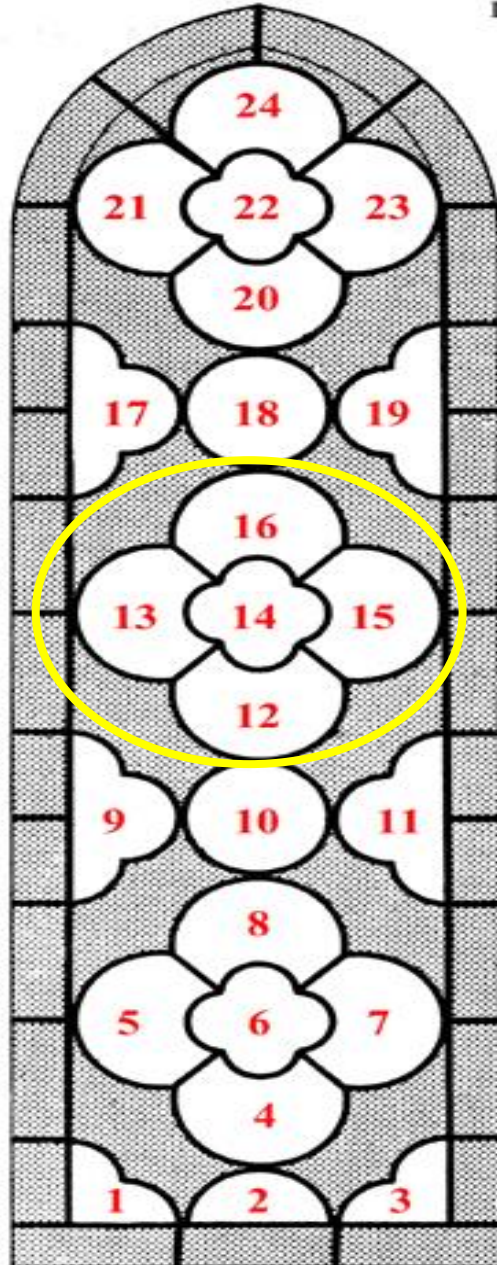
“Each of us, in the journey through mortality, will travel his own Jericho Road. What will be your experience? What will be mine? Will I fail to notice him who has fallen among thieves and requires my help? Will you? Will I be one who sees the injured and hears his plea, yet crosses to the other side? Will you? Or will I be one who sees, who hears, who pauses, and who helps? Will you?

“Jesus provided our watchword: ‘Go, and do thou likewise.’ When we obey that declaration, there opens to our view a vista of joy seldom equaled and never surpassed. ...

“... When we walk in the steps of that good Samaritan, we walk the pathway that leads to perfection” President Thomas S. Monson (“Your Jericho Road,” *Ensign*, Feb. 1989, 2, 4).

# Chartres Cathedral Windows: Creation and Good Samaritan

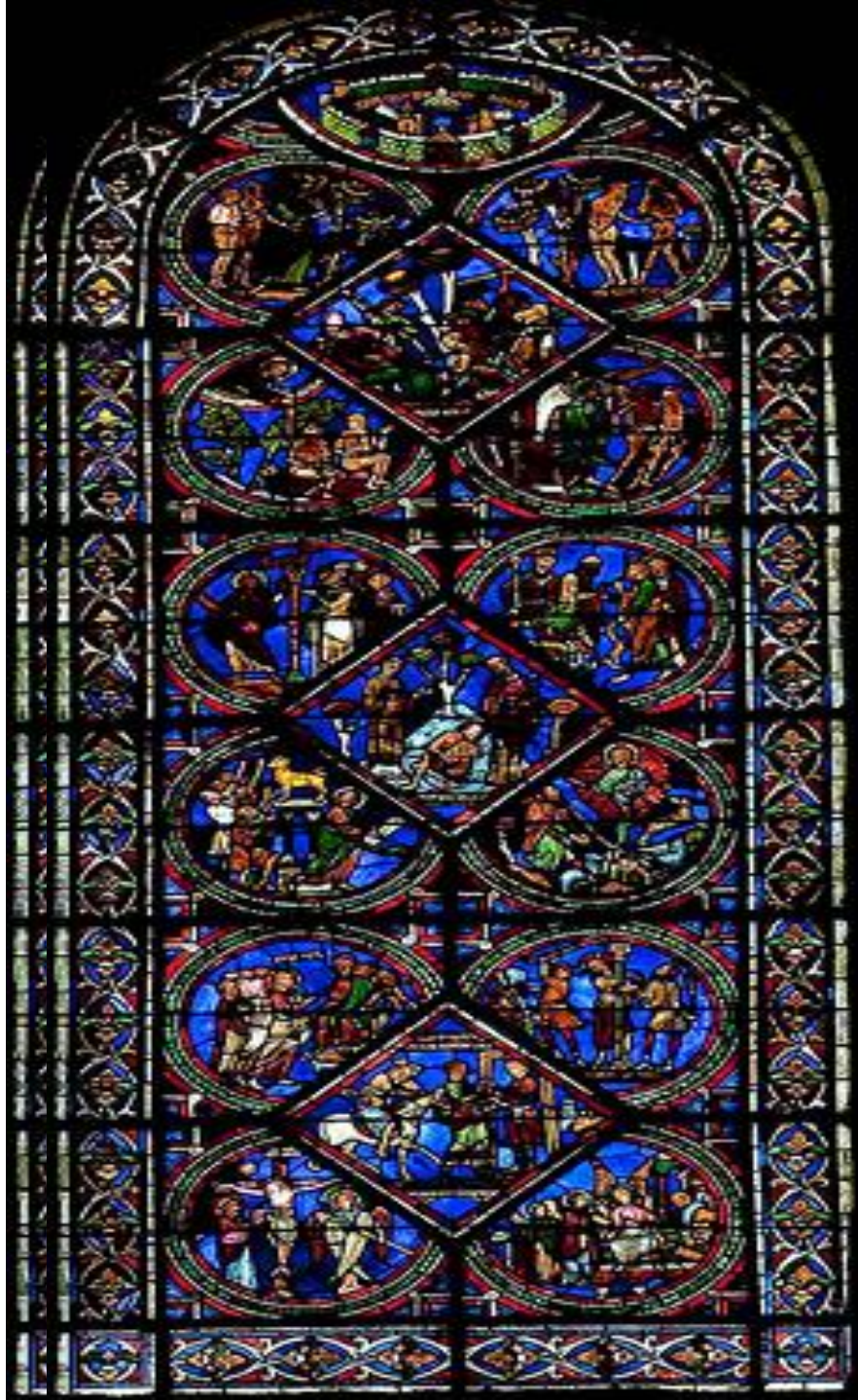
Deremble- Manhes no. 44, Delaporte no. 6



24. God (Christ?) in Majesty, holding a globe
21. Adam and Eve labor
22. God
23. Cain slays Abel with a hoe
20. Adam and Eve expelled from Eden
  
17. Eve holds flowers and talks to devil
18. Fall of Man: Adam chokes on an apple
19. God confronts Adam and Eve
  
16. God warns Adam and Eve, devil behind Eve
13. Creation of Adam
14. Adam in Eden
15. Creation of Eve
12. Good Samaritan cares for the injured pilgrim
  
9. Good Samaritan helps the pilgrim
10. Good Samaritan leads horse carrying the pilgrim
11. Innkeeper at the door of the inn
  
8. Injured pilgrim ignored by a priest and a Levite
5. Pilgrim leaves Jerusalem for Jericho
6. Thieves prepare to attack the pilgrim
7. Thieves attack the pilgrim
4. Christ narrates parable of the Good Samaritan
  
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3. Donors: Shoemakers present the window

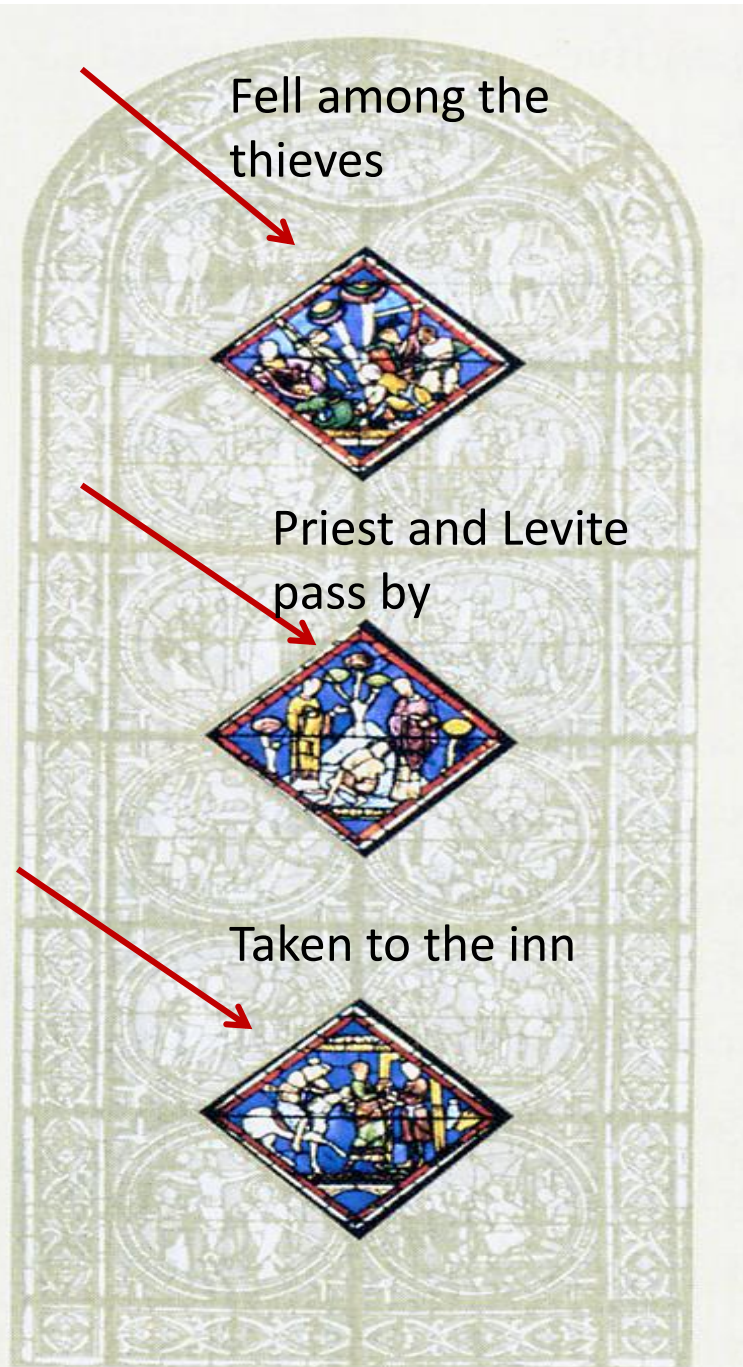
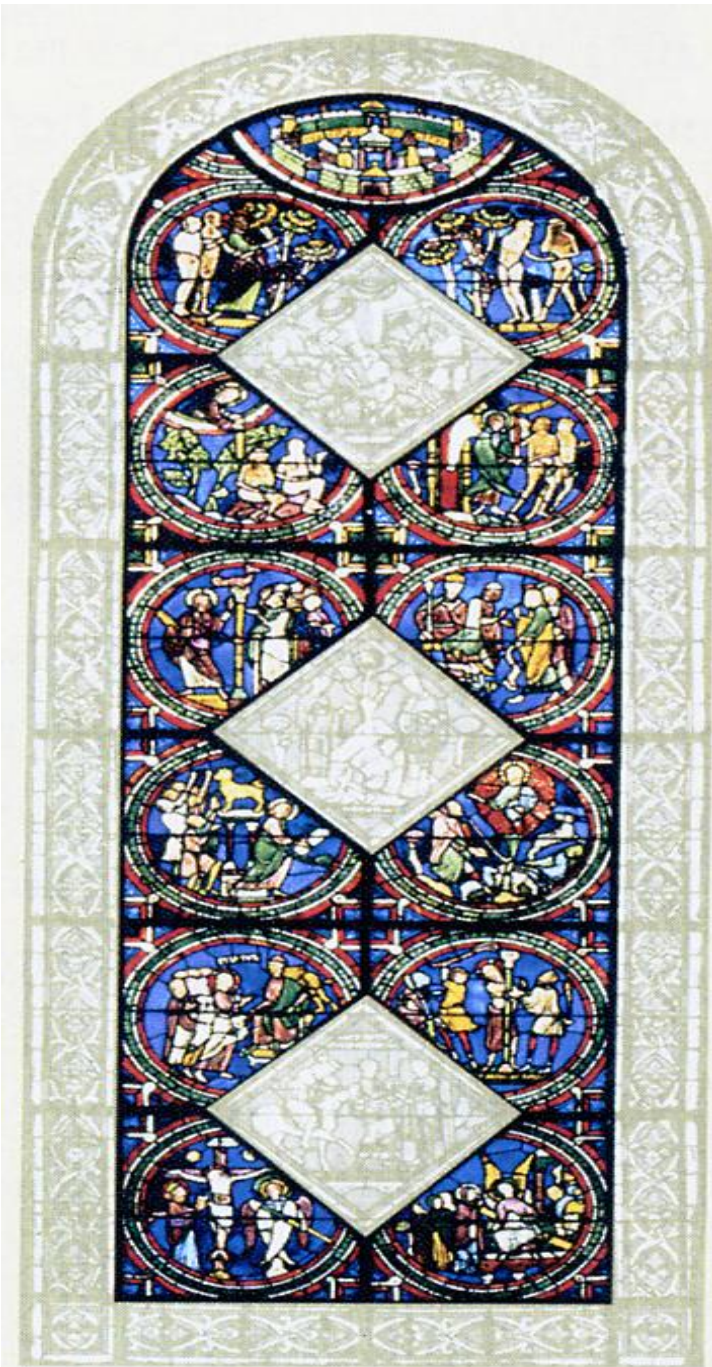






Elements from this window in Sens are organized by the themes they represent. The parable of the good Samaritan uses the three central panes of the windows, while themes from the plan of salvation, including the Fall of Adam and Eve and the Crucifixion of the Savior surround the parable to complete the window.

*Ensign*, The Good Samaritan Forgotten Symbols, by John W. Welch, 47



Fell among the thieves

Priest and Levite pass by

Taken to the inn

Here the themes of the parable of the Good Samaritan are digitally isolated on the right.

*Ensign, The Good Samaritan  
Forgotten Symbols, 47*

Window at Sens Cathedral



Luke 10:35

Parable	Symbolically	Me
Certain Man	All mankind	Me
Jerusalem (2700 ft above sea level) “Went down” to Jericho (80 ft below sea level)	Left the premortal existence From the presence of God To the world	Spiritual death
Fell among thieves	A fallen state to Satan (false teachings)	The world and its ways
Stripped of raiment	The experiences of mortality	Sin (Human)---natural man
Wounded	Subject to first death 2 <sup>nd</sup> death-a permanent separation from God	Sin and Vices
Levite Priest—left him	Those with partial authority can't save.	Priesthood

Parable	Symbolically	Me
Half Dead	Christ was half divine half mortal which is the symbolism of a Samaritan	Only Jesus can save
Samaritan	Jesus—purposely look for people—pure love of Christ	Service and Charity towards one another.
Had Compassion on Him	Christ is compassionate Greek word: Charis---means Grace. Pure love of Christ	The action we take towards one another.
Bind Wounds	Jesus Helps those in need. Binds him with covenants	Knowing when to ask for help. Putting a band-aid on symbolically
Pours oil	The healing of the Holy Ghost with Peace and Knowledge	Olive oil used in anointing, with worthiness
Pours wine	The Atonement, representing His Blood	It may sting at first but then it heals

Parable	Symbolically	Me
Set on Beast	Donkey is the symbol of "Peace" When one road in on a donkey it was in Peace, when one rode in on a horse it meant "War"	What animal do we ride in on?
Took him to the Inn	Church, where he will be taken care of. Leaving him there in Good hands	Spiritually weak we go to church and take the sacrament. Souls who are wafting to be repaired. A place to get healed. Physically weak we go to the Hospital.
The Innkeeper	Agents of Christ, one to help bring back into the fold. Church leaders.	Prophets, bishops, Priesthood holders, teachers, etc.
On the morrow. Paid what he owed	Born again. Covering all the cost, a reward , an eternal round	Repentance and the Atonement He will rescue us in our sins
When I come again	The Second Coming	Christ will come again to live on the earth. The Millennium
Repay	Christ covers all costs through the Atonement and rewards well	Repentance will bring you back to the arms of Heavenly Father, for Christ has paid that through the Atonement. All may receive forgiveness.