

# Preferential Option for the Poor

## What is Preferential Option for the Poor?



Jesus illustrates preferential option for the poor when he tells the parable of The Good Samaritan.

He teaches us the importance of loving your neighbour as yourself.

This means when we see someone in need, instead of walking on by, we stop and act with love.

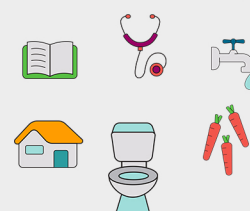


Sharing what we have with others

Helping the poor



### Needs



### Wants



### Preservation of environment



### Exploitation of environment



### Rights of workers



### Profits



## Preferential Option for the Poor?

Who are the poor?



People who don't have what they need to live well, like enough food or medicine.

Why should we help?

"You are not making a gift of your possessions to the poor person. You are handing over to them what is theirs...The world is given to all, and not only to the rich."

St Ambrose

So, it's like St Ambrose said

