

# Augustine's allegorical G. Samaritan

A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho = Adam

Jerusalem = the heavenly city of peace, from which Adam fell

Jericho = the moon, and thereby signifies Adam's mortality

thieves = the devil and his angels

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stripped him = namely, of his immortality

beat him = by persuading him to sin

left him half-dead = man he lives, died spiritually, *thus half-dead*

The priest and Levite = the priesthood and ministry of the OT

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The Samaritan = is said to mean Guardian; thus Christ himself is meant

bound his wounds = means binding the restraint of sin

oil = comfort of good hope

wine = exhortation to work with a fervent spirit

beast = the flesh of Christ's incarnation

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inn = the church

the morrow = after the Resurrection

two-pence = promise of this life and the life to come

innkeeper = Paul