

# The Leper, the Bald Man, and the Blind Man



A tale of gratitude  
*story and activities*

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# Teacher Directions

This handout is divided into three parts:

1. text of the story
2. follow-up activities (wordsearch, cloze exercise, short answer questions, and Venn diagram)
3. answer key

The text of the story is transcribed from Al-Masjid Al-Awwal's recording of [Uncle Moosaa & the Kids: The Leper, the Bald Man, and the Blind Man](#). For maximum learning, you are encouraged to utilize this packet in conjunction with the audio recording.

Angels are different from people. Allah made them from light and He made people from mud. People do bad things sometimes, but angels are always good. Allah orders angels to do things and they always obey Him. Allah sends angels from the sky to do different things. Some of them are sent to help the good Muslims. Some of them are sent to punish bad people. Some of them are sent to test the people.

There are a lot of angels. There are so many angels that we could never count them all. Some angels have two wings, some have three, some have four, or even more. Sometimes Allah makes angels look like people.



# ONE DAY...

Allah sent an angel to some people. The angel came to a leper. A leper is someone who has unhealthy skin. Lepers do not look very nice, so the people do not like to be around them.

The angel said to the leper, "what would you like most?" The leper said, "I want to have good skin and a nice color. Everyone is so sick of the way I look." The leper wanted to have healthy skin, so the angel touched the leper and Allah healed his skin.

The leper was very happy. The angel asked him, "what is your favorite thing in the world?" "Camels!" the leper said. The angel gave him a pregnant camel and said, "may Allah bless you in it." The leper was very happy.

Then, the angel went to a bald man. A bald man does not have any hair on his head. "What would you like most?" asked the angel. "Hair!" said the bald man, "the people are so sick of the way I look." The bald man did not like being bald. The angel touched him and he was given beautiful hair.

The bald man was very happy. "What is your favorite thing in the world?" asked the angel. "Cows!" said the bald man. So, the angel gave him a pregnant cow and said, "may Allah bless you in it."

Now, the bald man was very happy.

Then, the angel went to a blind man. A blind man cannot see, because his eyes don't work. The angel asked the blind man, "what would you like most?" "I hope that Allah will make me see again, so I could look at the people", said the blind man. The blind man wanted to see, so the angel touched the blind man's eyes and Allah made him see. The blind man could see! He was so happy.

Then the angel asked him, "what's your favorite thing in the whole world?" "Sheep!" said the blind man. The angel gave him a pregnant sheep. Now, the blind man was very happy.

Allah sent this angel to test those people. When Allah gives things to people. He wants them to be thankful to him. Allah loves people who are kind and give things to other people. Helping other people is one way we can be thankful to Allah.



**A LONG TIME  
LATER...**

Allah sent the angel back to the man who used to be a leper. His camels had babies and many more baby camels came later. The man who used to be a leper now had lots of camels and lots of money.

This time, the angel looked like a poor leper. The angel said, "I'm a poor man and I'm lost. No one will help me except Allah and then you. In the name of Allah, please give me a camel so I can finish my trip." "No!" said the man who used to be a leper, "I cannot help you." The angel said, "Don't I know you? Didn't you used to be a poor, leper and then Allah gave you all of this?" "No!" said the man who used to be a leper, "I got all of this from my family." "If you are lying", said the angel, "then may Allah make you like you were before." The angel made du'a to Allah for the man to become a leper again if he was lying.

He lied and did not help someone who asked for his help. The man who used to be a leper was not a good man.

Then, the angel went to the man who used to be bald. This time, the angel looked like a poor, bald man. The man who used to be bald now had a lot of cows and a lot of money.

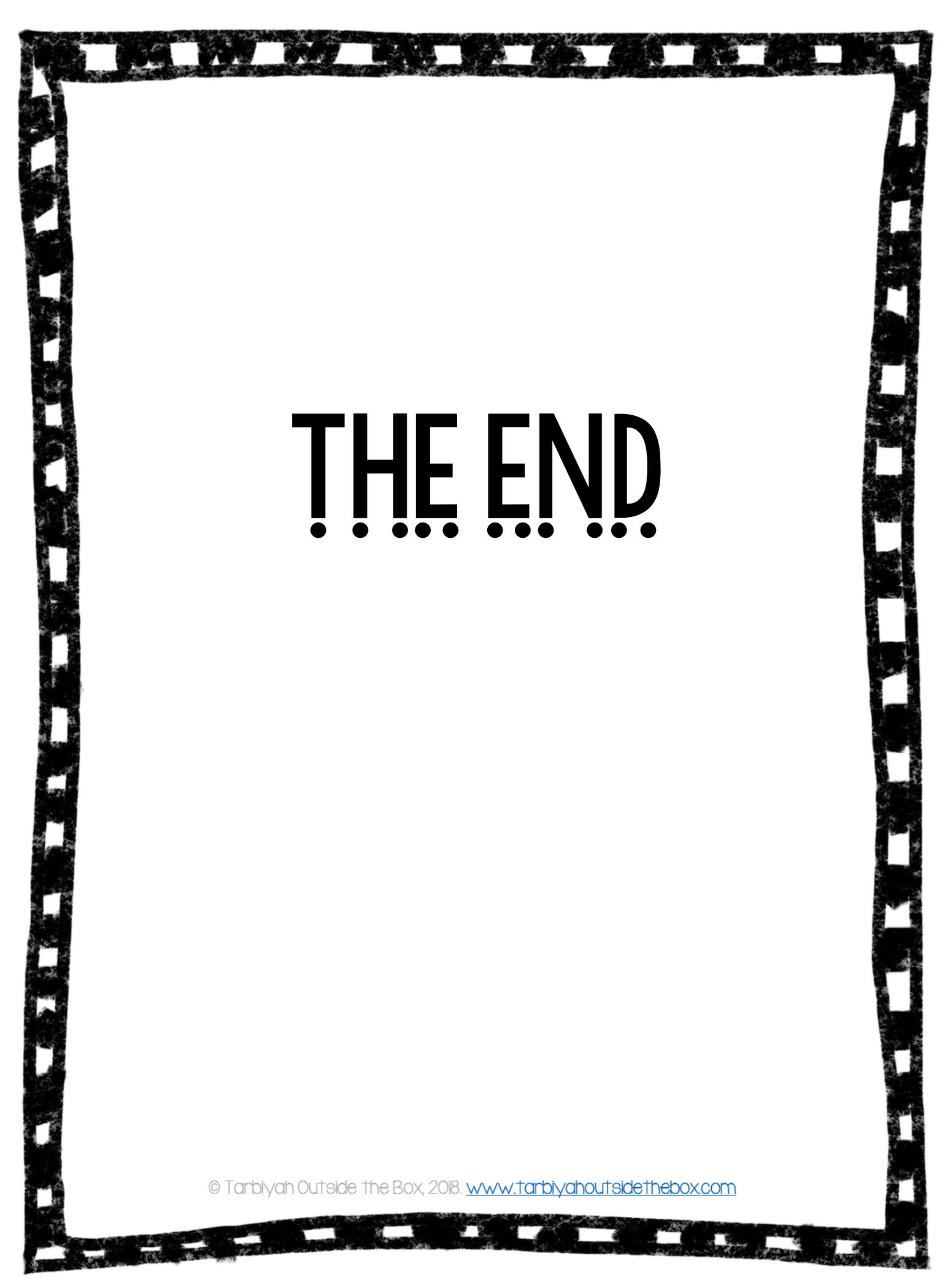
The angel said, "I'm a poor man and I'm lost. No one will help me except Allah, and then you. In the name of Allah, please give me a cow, so I can finish my trip." "No!", said the man who used to be bald. "I cannot help you." The angel said, "Don't I know you? Didn't you used to be a poor, bald man and then Allah gave you all of this?" "No!" said the man who used to be bald, "I got all of this from my family." "If you're lying", said the angel, "then may Allah make you like you were before." The angel made du'a to Allah to make the man bald and poor again if he was lying.

He lied and he would not help someone who asked for his help. The man who used to be bald was not a good man.

Then, the Angel went to the blind man. This time, the Angel looked like a poor blind man. "I'm a poor man and I'm lost. No one will help me except Allah and then you. In the name of Allah, please give me a sheep so I can finish my trip." The man who used to be blind said, "I used to be blind and then Allah let me see. I was poor and then Allah gave me all of this, so take whatever you want. By Allah, I won't stop you from taking whatever you want for Allah's sake."

The blind man was a very good man. He was thankful to Allah and wanted to help other people so Allah was happy with him, but Allah was not happy with the leper or the bald man. Allah was angry with them, because they did not thank Him by helping others..

This is how Allah tests people. He gives us things to see if we would be thankful or greedy. If we are thankful and share with others, then Allah will be happy with us and give us many more things. If we are greedy and do not help anyone, Allah will be angry with us like He was with the leper and the bald man.



# THE END

# WORDSEARCH

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ALLAH  
ANGELS  
THE LEPER  
BLINDMAN  
BALDMAN

SHEEP  
COW  
CAMELS  
POOR  
PREGNANT

HAIR  
SKIN  
BEAUTIFUL  
UNHEALTHY  
HAPPY

# CLÖZE EXERCISE

## Word Bank

others  
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greedy  
some  
Allah  
light  
help  
bald  
thankful  
poor  
wings  
different  
gives  
leper  
blind

1. Angels are \_\_\_\_\_ from people. Allah made them from \_\_\_\_\_ and He made people from mud.
2. The angel said, "I'm a \_\_\_\_\_ man and I am lost. No one will help me except \_\_\_\_\_, and then you."
3. When Allah gives things to people He wants them to be \_\_\_\_\_ to im.
4. He \_\_\_\_\_ us things to see if we would be thankful or \_\_\_\_\_.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ angels have two \_\_\_\_\_, some have three, some have four, or even more.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ man was a very good man. He was thankful to Allah and wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ other people, so Allah was \_\_\_\_\_ with him, but Allah was not happy with the \_\_\_\_\_ or the \_\_\_\_\_ man. Allah was angry with them, because they did not thank him by helping \_\_\_\_\_.

# SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

What did Allah create the angels from?

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Which of Allah's creation do bad things sometimes?

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Which creation is always good.

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Who heals us when we are sick?

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Who else besides Allah helps heal us?

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# SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

What is one way we can be thankful to Allah?

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Who else, with Allah, helps to heal us?

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What are the three reasons why angels may be sent?

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What would you do if Allah gave you a lot of money?

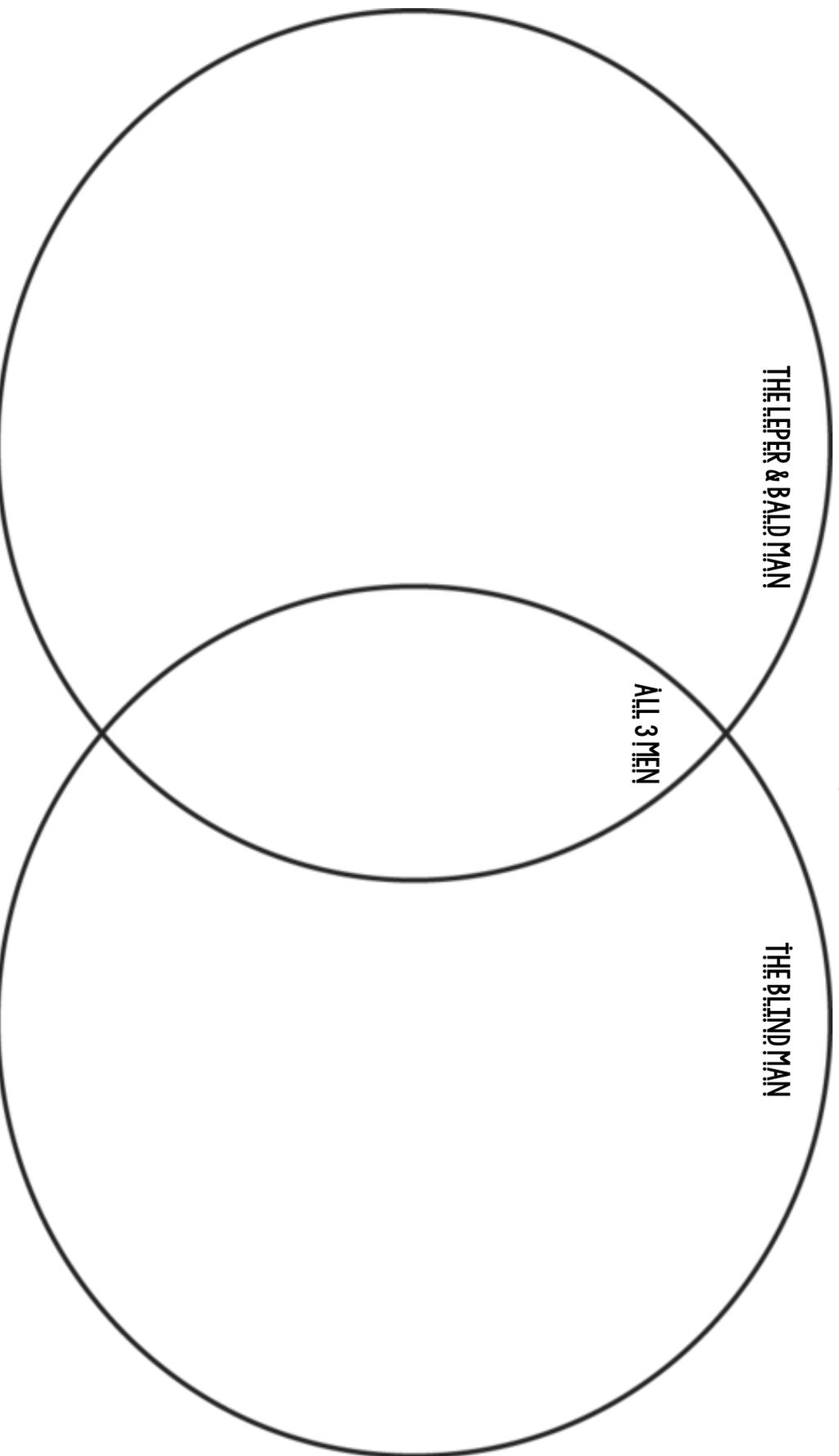
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# COMPARE AND CONTRAST

Use the Venn diagram to compare the men in the story.



# ANSWERS



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# SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

What did Allah create the angels from?

Allah created the angels from light

Which of Allah's creation do bad things sometimes?

Humans do bad things sometimes.

Which creation is always good.

Angels always obey Allah and do good.

Who heals us when we are sick?

Allah is the one that heals us when we are sick.

Who else besides Allah helps heal us?

Allah is the ONLY one who heals us when we are sick. He has no partners.

# SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

What is one way we can be thankful to Allah?

We can be thankful to Allah by sharing our blessings.

What are the three reasons why angels may be sent?

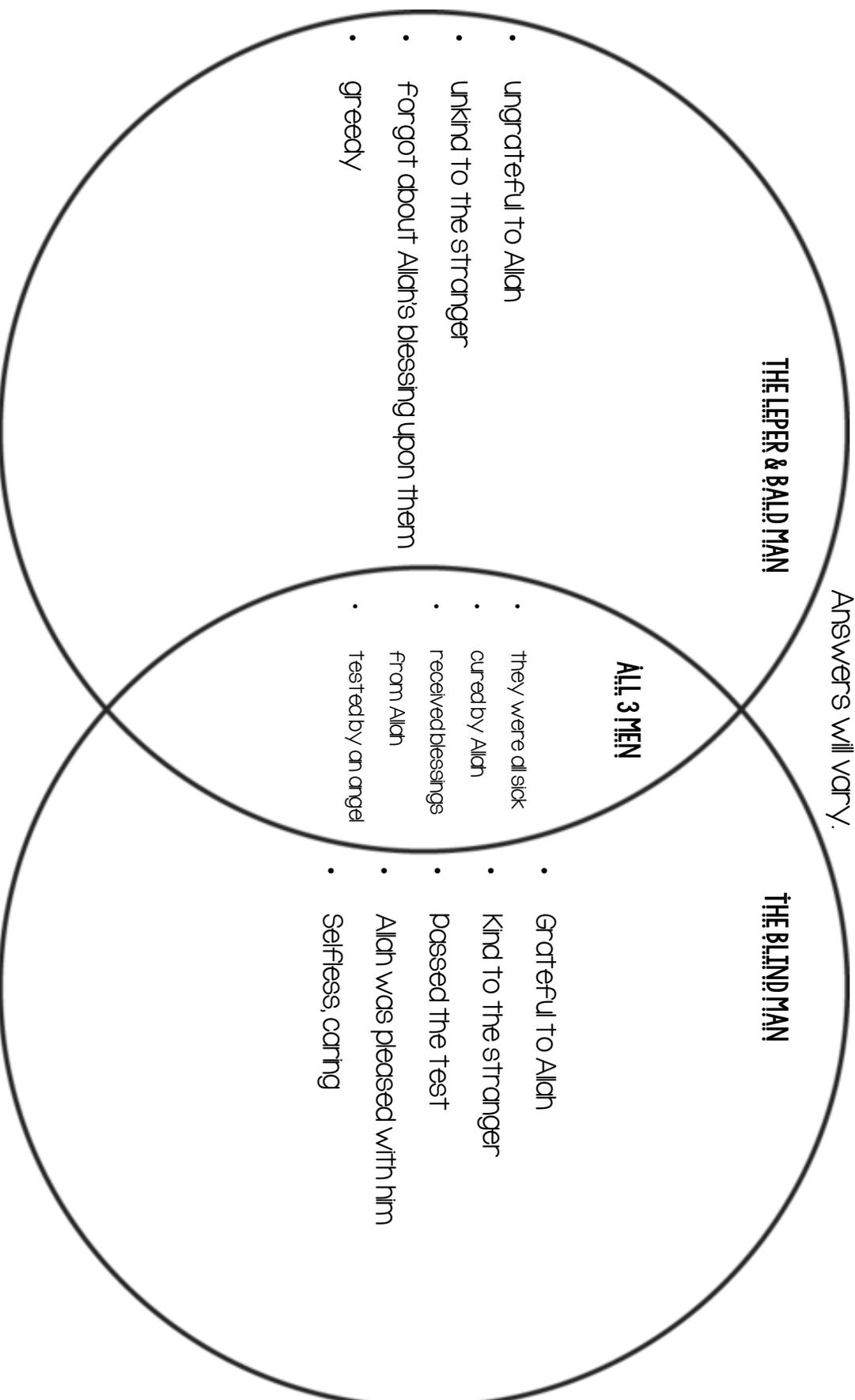
Angels are sent to: 1) help the good Muslims; 2) punish bad people; and 3) test the people.

What would you do if Allah gave you a lot of money?

Answers will vary.

# COMPARE AND CONTRAST

Answers will vary.



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