

The Greatest Commandment

MATTHEW 22:34-40

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBORS

This week's theme is **LOVE**. God commands us to love God with all our heart and love our neighbors as ourselves. We can work together to show this kind of love.



TRIPLE LOVE

Choose three colors of plastic beads: one each to represent your heart, soul, and mind. String them in a repeating pattern of colors on an 8-inch piece of flexible cord. Tie a knot in it and wear your bracelet as a reminder to love God with all of yourself.



NEIGHBORHOOD WALK

Jesus told the Pharisee, who was a lawyer, that we should love our neighbors the same way we love ourselves. Take a walk through your neighborhood and take turns saying a short prayer for the families who live in each home you pass.



LOVE SONG

Write words to a love song, or pick a favorite love song from the radio or the songs you know. Why is it your favorite? Have a concert where everyone has to sing their song to the family, or share them at mealtime.



HEART ART

Cut two large hearts from poster board. Cover each with small squares of colored tissue paper to make mosaics. Write "Love God" on one and "Love Your Neighbor" on the other. Glue both together and hang the mosaic in a window.



YOU ARE LOVED

Make note cards that say "You are loved." Put these in your neighbors' mailboxes or inside their doors. Sign your family's name with a smile. Talk about how these loving messages are sharing God's love.



HOW MANY TIMES?

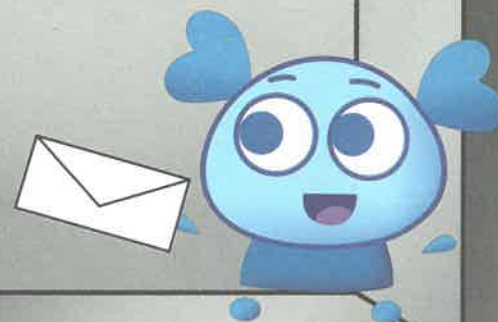
What does the Bible say about neighbors? Go to an online Bible search engine. Enter the word neighbor. How many times does it appear in the Bible? What do some of the verses say about how to love neighbors?



SPEAKING OF LOVE

Search online to find out how to say "I love you" in different languages, like Spanish, Norwegian, German, and more. Choose one to say each day as you hug a family member, friend, or neighbor.

THIS WEEK OUR FAMILY IS PRAYING FOR ...



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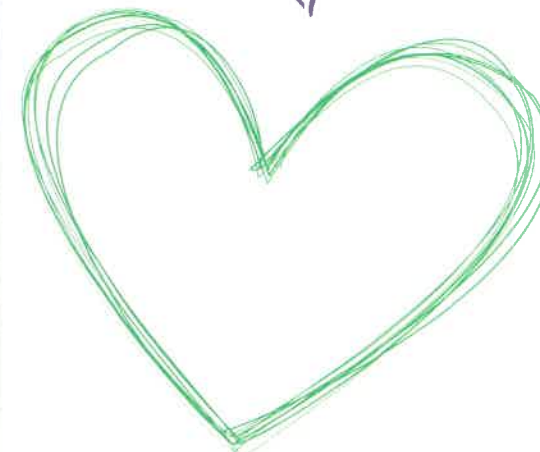
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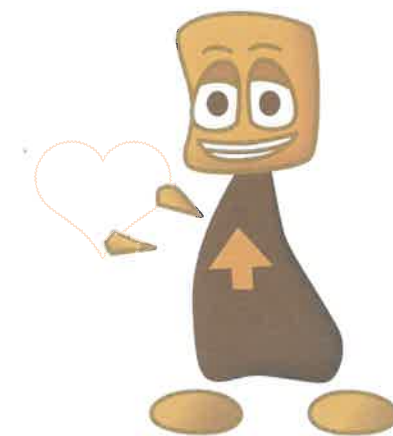
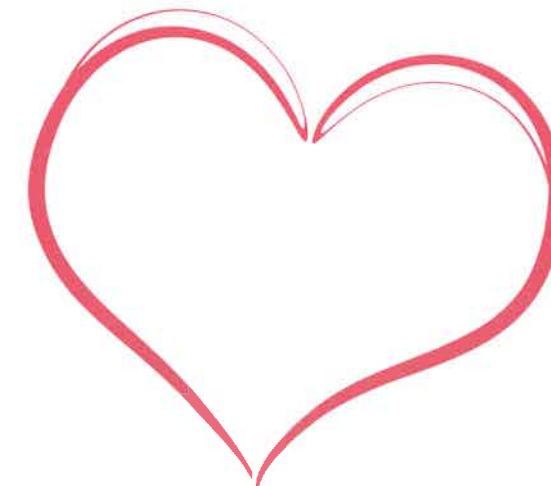
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We **LOVE** God.



We **LOVE** others.



I can love others. I am part of God's family. I can love God. I am part of God's family. I can love others. I can love God. I can love others.

People from all over the world belong to God's family.

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God's Family

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Love Alerts

Find **LOVE** inside your church! Mark where people show their love for **God** with  hearts. Mark where people show their love for **others** with  hearts.

A large grid area for marking locations of love for God and others.