

A Devotional—The Love of Jesus

Read: John 3:16 NIV

Read: Matthew 22:37-39 NIV

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First Things First

Jesus said the number one thing we can do is to love God! How do we show God we love Him? Could you tell Him? Yes! Could you read His word, the Bible? Sure! Could you sing your favorite worship song? Absolutely!

Ask your grown-up to help you list a few other ways you can show God just how much you love Him this week in the space below. Tell your grown-up to check in with you and ask, “Did you show God some love today?” as a gentle reminder to put first things first!

Know that God loves you, and our answer should be to show we love Him right back!

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I Spy

Play a quick game of “I Spy” with a sibling or your grown-up.

Did you know that love is an action? It's something you DO! Saying you love something or someone is different from SHOWING you love them. You can say you love God, but if your actions don't line up with how God wants you to live, the people around you might not believe it's true. We show God we love Him by living the way He asks us to live.

What are some ways the people around you could SPY you loving God? Do your actions—the things people can see—show that you love God?

ASK God to help you listen and follow Him every day as a way to show you love Him.

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Others First

Jesus said that loving God with our hearts and minds is the greatest commandment. But there's a second part too. Jesus said we should love others like we love ourselves.

Grab a mirror and look at your cute face. Name three ways you want someone else to treat you. Now turn that mirror toward your sister or brother or a neighborhood friend. Ask them to name three ways they would want to be treated.

Look for ways to love others by treating them the way you want to be treated this week.

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Love Overflowing

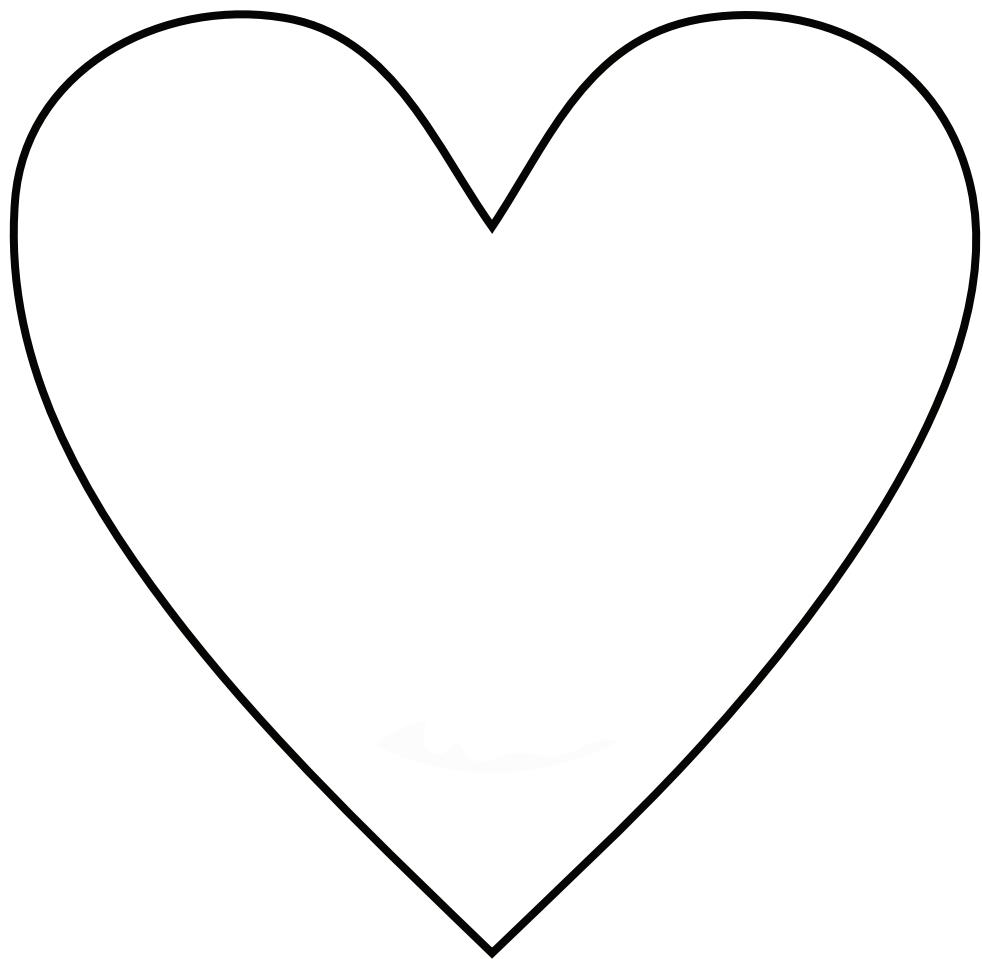
God's love for you is a never-ending kind of love! He loves you more than you can imagine, and His love for you will never run out.

With help from a grown-up, grab a cup and a plastic pitcher. Fill the pitcher with water and set the cup in the sink. Carefully pour the water into the cup until it overflows! That water is just like God's love for you. When you understand just how much YOU are loved, it should make it easier to share that love with everyone around you. God's love overflows, and it should spill out to everyone around you!

“Heavenly Father, thanks for your never-ending love for me. Help me to share your love with everyone I meet, Amen.”

★ Love God. Love Others.

GOD



PEOPLE!



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