

MADE TO CREATE

an activity that explores ideas through the process of drawing, building, designing, and problem-solving

TODAY'S BIBLE STORY

Love One Another
JOHN 13:34-35

MEMORY VERSE

"Lord, you are more powerful than the roar of the ocean. You are stronger than the waves of the sea."
PSALM 93:4 , NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who can help you change the world around you?

BOTTOM LINE

God can help me change the world around me.

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.



1. WORLD OF LOVE

WHAT YOU NEED: "World Heart" Activity Page; cardstock; crayons; smoothie straws—one per child; glue sticks; scissors; permanent marker

WHAT YOU DO:

Before the Activity:

- Copy "World Heart" on cardstock and cut out—one per child.
- Write the child's name on their paper.

During the Activity:

- Encourage the children to color the world and heart.
- Rub glue all over the back of their picture, and lay the smoothie straw in the center of the word picture.
- Fold two sides together and flatten.
- Show children how to hold the straw in between their hands and twirl it.

After the Activity:

- Review the Bible Story.

WHAT YOU SAY:

Before the Activity:

- "Today's story taught us that the number-one thing God wants to help us do is to love like Jesus. I have a neat craft for us to make today."

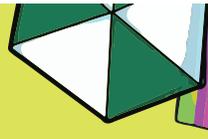
During the Activity:

"What do you see on your paper? (*Pause.*) It's the world and a heart. Use the crayons to color your pictures. (*Pause.*) Turn your paper over and rub the glue stick all over the back. (*Pause.*) Lay the smoothie straw down in the middle of one picture and fold the sides together. (*Help children line the sides up.*) Press the sides down and smooth them out. (*Pause.*) Now hold it in your hands and spin it back and forth like this. (*Demonstrate.*) Everybody spin. (*Pause.*) When you spin it really fast, it makes it look like the heart is in the world."

After the Activity:

"God wants us to love like Jesus. When we love like Jesus, we are loving others like Jesus loves us. We can show others we love them when we help them or share with them or say kind words. Jesus did these things by helping a man walk when he couldn't walk. Helping our friends is one way we can love like Jesus. Jesus prayed over and thanked God for two fish and five loaves of bread and fed more than five thousand hungry people. Sharing with our friends is another way we can love like Jesus. We can also say kind words like Jesus did to a woman who had mean words said to her.

"God sent Jesus to make big waves that changed the world. When we love like Jesus, God can help us make waves that change the world around us too. **Who can help you change the world around you? God can help me change the world around me.**"



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2. TIE DYED WORLD

WHAT YOU NEED: "Tie Dyed World Label" Activity Page; Avery Labels #5160 or equivalent; coffee filters—one per child; heart stickers; green and blue food coloring; water; plastic bowls; pipettes; paper plates—one per child; paper towels; permanent marker

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- Copy "Tie Dyed World Label" on Avery Labels #5160 or equivalent—one per child.
- Write the child's name on their coffee filter and place it on a plate.
- Fill the bowls with water and add blue food coloring to some of the bowls and green food coloring to the others.

During the Activity:

- Encourage the children to squeeze and drop blue and green water on their coffee filter to make the world.
- Pat the coffee filter dry with the paper towels and add the heart sticker and label.

After the Activity:

- Review the Bible Story.

WHAT YOU SAY:

Before the Activity:

"God wants us to love like Jesus loved us. That means we need to love everyone in the whole wide world just like Jesus. Let's make a world to help us remember how we can love everyone, everywhere."

During the Activity:

"Pinch these pipettes to pull the water up into them like this. (*Demonstrate.*) You try. (*Pause.*) Good job! Give it a little squeeze to drop the color water on the coffee filter. (*Pause.*) Super, now do it with the other color. (*Pause.*) Look how the colors spread. (*Pause.*) Take your paper towel and pat it dry. (*Pause.*) Add your heart sticker. (*Pause.*) Add your label. (*Pause.*) The label tells you where you can find our story in the Bible."

After the Activity:

"We can show others we love them when we help them or share with them or say kind words. Jesus helped a man walk when he couldn't. Jesus fed people who were hungry, and said kind words when others did not.

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