



## LOWER ELEMENTARY

### WEEK 2- STARTER



### Activity Name: People Charades

**What You Need:**  People picture cards

### What You Say:

God loves people who are different from you, who live in different places, and people who do wrong things! **[Bottom Line] God loves the whole world**, and He wants His love to reach every single person. Because you and I are made in God's image—we reflect who God is to the world—we can show His love to others. When we're kind, we show the world God's love. When we're compassionate, we show the world God's love.

### What You Do:

- Explain that you're going to play a game of charades.
- Ask for a volunteer to act first.
- Show the volunteer one of the people cards without letting the rest of the group see.
- Instruct the volunteer to act out who is on the card without using any words.
- Encourage the rest of the group to try to guess who is on the card.
- The kid who guesses correctly gets to be the next kid to act out a new card.
- Continue until several kids have had a turn.

Great acting and great guessing! It's fun to pretend to be all these different people. It doesn't matter who we are—a famous singer or a firefighter—Jesus has the same important message for all of us. Let's go hear our true story from the Bible today and find out what it is!

**Lead your group to the Large Group area.**



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### WEEK 2- SMALL GROUP

### Discussion Questions:

- Jesus said the most important commandment is to love God with all your heart, soul, and mind. What does it look like to love God with all of who you are—not just your words, but your thoughts, choices, and feelings?
- The second most important commandment says to love your neighbor as yourself. Is it hard to love others like you love yourself? How can God help you do both?
- When you think about your normal day—school, friends, family—where do you think it’s easiest for you to show love, and where is it hardest? What could help you love better in the hard places?
- Holy Spirit can nudge us to notice people who need love!



#### Bible Story

The Most Important Commandment • *Matthew 22:34-40*

#### Bottom Line

Love God. Love others.

#### Monthly Memory Verse

*"I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you." • John 13:34 NIV*

## Activity Name: Love Notes

**What You Need:**  Cardstock cards  Coloring supplies  heart stickers  Bible

### What You Do:

- Invite them to look up John 13:34 and read the Memory Verse together out loud several times.
- Give each kid a card and envelope and make the coloring supplies and stickers available.
- Tell them they are going to make a Valentine's Day card for someone they love.
- Encourage them to draw a picture and decorate their card.
- Help them write a short note inside. At the end of their note, help them write:  
**[Bottom Line] Love God. Love others.**
- Ask: "What does it actually mean to love the people in your life?" (e.g., sharing, being kind, helping).
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### What You Say:

These cards are beautiful! The people who get these will feel so loved. When you give this card to them, you are showing them what Jesus wants us to do. Jesus wants us to love one another. You are choosing to: **[Bottom Line] Love God. Love others.**

**KEEP GROUP TOGETHER UNTIL PICK UP**