







GOSPEL

Jesus loves you as much as his Father loves him. He wants you to love your family and friends as much as he loves you. You are his friend. He wants to spend time with you. Spend time praying to Jesus every day. Tell him that you love him. Share your food, toys, and clothing. Help your family and friends every day. Tell Jesus you do all good things in his name.



Jesus, help me love my neighbor as much as you love me.



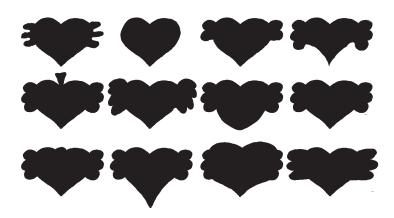
Draw yourself praying to Jesus and telling him that you love him.





Find the heart that matches.

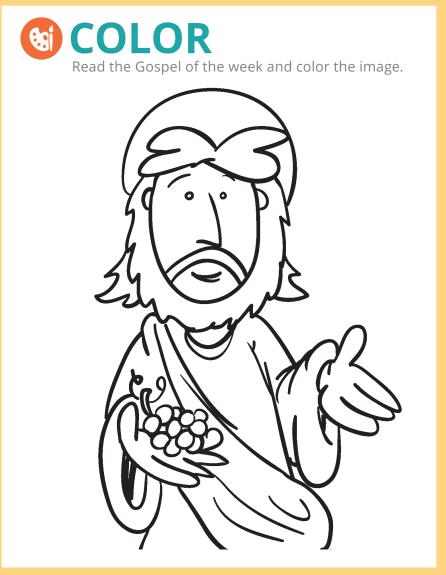






Read John 15:9-17 with your family. God loves you, and he wants you to be completely happy, but you need to let go of your selfishness. You can obey God and love others by sharing your time with them. You can show your love for God by sharing your money with others, too.









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I would be really happy, if only I was? rich? popular? better looking? the boss. Those selfish wishes sound great, but they cannot give you true happiness inside. In today's Gospel, Jesus shares the three secrets to his complete happiness: (1) Jesus obeyed God; (2) Jesus knew God loved him; (3) Jesus loved other people enough to die for them. Wow. Jesus was completely happy, but he was not selfish at all. In fact, Jesus told his friends if they followed his loving example, they could be completely happy too. Follow Jesus to be filled with happiness from the inside out.



God, on my own I am selfish. Thank you for loving me. Help me to obey you. Help me to love other people as much as Jesus does.



Draw a picture of yourself happily holding Jesus' hand.

