

Activity: **Making Hearts**
Discussion: **Loving Others**
Scripture : **1John 4:7-9**

Making Hearts

When students arrive, give each of them a red piece of paper and some kid scissors (*NOTE: Younger children will need help with this.*) Ask them and show them how to cut out a heart. Then on the hearts ask them to write five ways that they can show love for other people. (*Ask the younger children to draw a picture of someone doing something that shows love. Then ask them to explain what their picture is about.*)

SAY: God always wants us to show love for others but loving people isn't always easy.

Ask the students—**Does God want you to love people who are like you?**

Ask the students—**Does God want you to love other people who are different from you?**

Ask the students—**Does God want you to love people of other races?**

Ask the students—**Does God want you to love people who are poor...or needy...or dirty...or mean...or rich...or smelly?**

Ask the students—**Does God want you to love people who have other religions and don't believe in Jesus?**

SAY: God loves everyone and wants you to love everyone as well.

REPEAT after me: God wants me to love everyone!

Read and Discuss: **1John 4:7-9**