Game: Relay in Someone Else's Shoes
Discussion: Understanding how others feel

Scripture: Matthew 7:12

YOU WILL NEED: No items needed...just the shoes off your kids' feet.

Relay in Someone Else's Shoes

Ask your kids to take off their shoes and to put them in a designated area on the opposite side of the room. Then divide your class into two or more teams. The team will line up, facing the shoe pile on the far side of the room. When you say, "go" the front person in line will run to the shoe pile and put on someone else's shoes. (They don't have to tie them.) They will then run back to their team, take the shoes off and the next person in line will put them on and run to the shoe pile, where they will take them off, and put on someone else's shoes, etc. Play continues until every child has had a chance to participate.

<u>Ask your students</u>—Have you ever heard the old saying say, "Before you judge someone, walk a mile in their shoes"? What does this mean? (It means to think about how they feels. Step into their shoes and feel what they are feeling.)

<u>Ask your students</u>—How could understanding how someone feels help you to love them?

Ask your students—How do you think Jesus wants you to treat others?

Read Matthew 7:12

Continue with a discussion on how Jesus wants you to treat others...