

# LOVE OTHERS



# GOD...

Haman hated the Jewish people. He wasn't just a bully. He was out to completely destroy them—and Satan used Haman in an attempt to keep the promised Rescuer from coming!

Jesus says “love your enemies! Pray for those who persecute you! In that way, you will be acting as true children of your Father in heaven.” (Matthew 6:44)

Is there someone in your life who is mean and hurtful? Someone who is hard to love? You can't control them or their actions, but Jesus wants you to pray for that person!

This is a fun visual activity that will help kids think about the idea of praying for and showing love to people they find hard to love.

## SUPPLIES:

- Cup
- Water
- Washable felt tip marker
- Strip of paper towel



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## DIRECTIONS:

1. Fill the cup with approximately one inch of water.
2. Draw a heart with the washable felt tip marker about 2 inches up the strip of paper towel and color it in.
3. Write the initials or name of someone (or draw a face of someone) that you sometimes find it difficult to love. Loving others is one of the ways that we show that we follow Jesus, but sometimes this is hard and we have to ask God for help.
4. Put the end of the strip of paper towel in the water and pray that God will help you to show that person that you love them and that God loves them.
5. Your love / God's love is like the water in the cup. Watch as the water slowly climbs up the strip of paper towel and the ink in the heart spreads out to cover and absorb the initials (name or face) of the person you prayed for. This is a symbol of how you want your love / God's love to reach out to that person.

## Think about it...

- Why is it sometimes hard to love someone?
- How do people show love?
- What could you do to show the person you prayed for that you love them?

