



**ST NINIAN'S UNITING
CHURCH**

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Based on Luke 6:27-38 'Love one another – even your enemies'

Sometimes we like to play dress-ups and wear costumes that make us look like we're someone else. My grandchildren like to pretend they are superman, spiderman or sometimes they like to pretend they are a dinosaur. Their friends sometimes pretend to be a king or a queen, or a teacher – those people who like to rule over other people and tell them what to do. I want you to think for a minute about what you think a ruler should do?

A ruler makes the rules. Only I think they need some help with the rules, so if you were the ruler, what would be your first rule? Why is it the right rule and who would be helped the most?

Maybe you could talk about this with an adult as I'm sure they would be interesting rules that the adult would like hear.

In today's story Jesus, who is our King, mentioned something which is important for us to do. Lots of people call it the 'Golden Rule'. The Golden Rule is to love, everyone, including your enemies.

Jesus taught that loving one another, even people we don't get along with is really very important. And one way we can do this is to treat others how we want to be treated. So, if we want others to welcome us when we're new to their school, or church, then we do that for others. Or if we want others to be kind to us, then we need to be kind to others as well.

PRAYER:

Dear Jesus, we want to treat others with love as Jesus taught us to do. Help me to do that well even though sometimes I don't want to. Help me to be kind to others even when I'm on my devices.

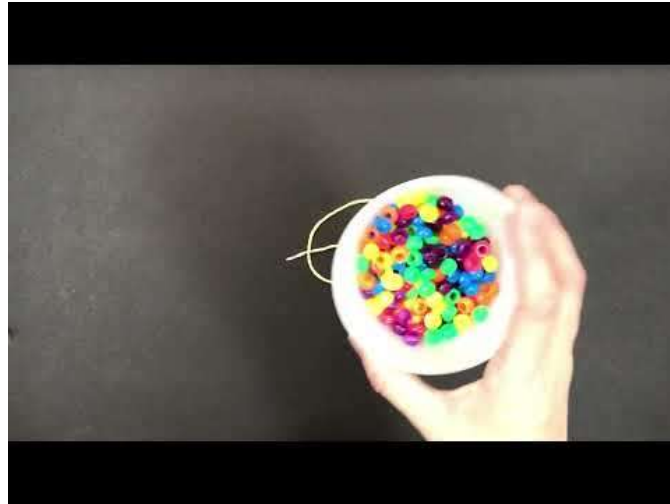
Amen



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For those who enjoy making crafty things, you might to make this Love One Another Bracelet. Just follow the directions in the video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3fMtqKVwbwc>



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The Golden Rule

Do to others as you would have them do to you. Luke 6:31 (NIV)

The activity is based on words found in Luke 6:27-38

Complete the sentences by filling in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank at the bottom of the page.

1. Love your _____, do good to those who hate you.
2. Bless those who curse you, _____ for those who mistreat you.
3. If someone slaps you on one _____, turn to them the other also.
4. Do to _____ as you would have them do to you.
5. If you _____ those who love you, what _____ is that to you?
6. Be _____, just as your _____ is merciful.
7. Then your _____ will be great, and you will be _____ of the Most High

enemies
love

others
merciful

cheek
reward

children
Father

pray
credit





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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Replace each number in the puzzle with the corresponding letter to reveal the secret words.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

6-18-9-5-14-4-19 _____

12-15-22-5 _____

23-9-3-11-5-4 _____

8-1-20-5 _____

16-18-1-25 _____

7-15-15-4 _____

5-14-5-13-25 _____

18-5-23-1-18-4 _____

FRIENDS	LOVE	WICKED	HATE
PRAY	GOOD	ENEMY	REWARD

