

STEP ONE: Watch the EC video at hillsideonline.com/kids

STEP TWO: Repeat the verse
twice with the motions!

"Love each other
(hug yourself)

as I
(point up)

have loved you."
(point thumbs to chest)

John 15:12
(open hands like a book)

STEP THREE: Have fun with the activity "I Can Love!"

What you need:

Paper, scissors, crayons, marker

What you do:

Cut out a paper heart for everyone in the family.

If possible, gather the whole family together. Hand out one heart per family member. Ask everyone to color their heart as they choose. Then, write each person's name on their heart with the marker.

After everyone finishes coloring their hearts, gather them together. Call each family member to stand up while holding their heart and the rest of the family says, "[Name] can love like Jesus" while they hold their heart.

Say, "In today's Bible story, we heard about how Jesus loves everyone. That means we can love everyone, too! Let's color these hearts to remind us how we can love like Jesus.

Jesus loves (name each person) because Jesus loves everyone. And we can love everyone because we can love like Jesus! Who can love like Jesus? I can love like Jesus! Yay! I can love like Jesus!"

* the Bible story for this week is John 13:34-35

STEP FOUR: Pray together as a family!

"Dear God, Jesus is the best friend anyone will ever have. He really wants to help, share, and say kind words to everyone in the whole, wide world! That is real love! And we want to love like Jesus. God, will You please help us to help, share and say kind words so people everywhere will know that we love them the way Jesus loves us? We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.

STEP FIVE: Encourage your child
to draw a picture of a heart!



STEP SIX: Remind them that no matter where we are, we
can love each other the way Jesus loves us.