

Judging Positively/Looking for the Good in Others/Love One Another



Looking for the good in others is a great skill to develop. Here are a few ideas to help stimulate positive judging of others.

[Love at Home #294](#) would be a great song choice for this FHE

Scriptures for the lesson:

[John 15:12](#) Love others

[John 7:24](#) Judge righteously

Activity 1... you will need:

1. Varying colors of construction paper
2. Scissors
3. Pens/pencils for each participant

Have each family member cut hearts out of the construction paper, according to skill level (some may be able to cut, some may draw or trace a heart, etc.) When a lot of hearts have been cut out, instruct each

person that is able to write an adjective that describes a person, any person, in a positive way on each heart until all the hearts have been done.

After Family Home Evening is done, the hearts with words on them can be put up around the house to help everyone remember to look for the good in others.

Possible adjectives include, but are certainly not limited to:

Smart	Thankful	Bold
Creative	Honest	Persuasive
Loyal	Philanthropic	Cheerful
Caring	Brilliant	Nurturing
Courageous	Kind	Determined
Independent	Helpful	Great gift-giver
Sweet	Beautiful	Talented
Loving	Thoughtful	Funny

Once all the hearts have an adjective on them, place all the hearts face down, spread out on the table or floor. Each person gets to take a turn (little ones can draw for big people) drawing a heart from the table. After drawing a heart, the person is to read the adjective and try to think of someone that has that characteristic. They should tell everyone else who the person is and why they think that person has that characteristic. The person can be another family member, someone famous, a scripture character, etc. Everyone else can pitch in with their ideas if needed.

Examples:

The word honest is read, and so I say, "I think Abraham Lincoln was honest because I just read a story about him that showed he was honest. He walked 4 miles to return a little bit of change that he forgot to give someone."

The word funny is read, and so I say, "Daddy is funny because he always makes me laugh by making silly faces."

This activity helps us to see how we can look for the good in others. It gives us a chance to think about people we admire. And we can see a lot of good traits in our own family members.

To adapt for younger family members, find picture books and short stories about admirable people. Talk about people that they know like a Grandparent or Aunt or friend.

Activity 2:

Make a fun crossword puzzle using loving words and clues of your choice. Here's (<http://www.puzzle-maker.com/CW/>)

a free site to help you out.

Make a word search puzzle using words of love and kindness. Click here for help. Even very young children enjoy looking for certain letters. You can make easy words for elementary schoolers and use more challenging words for the adults and teens.