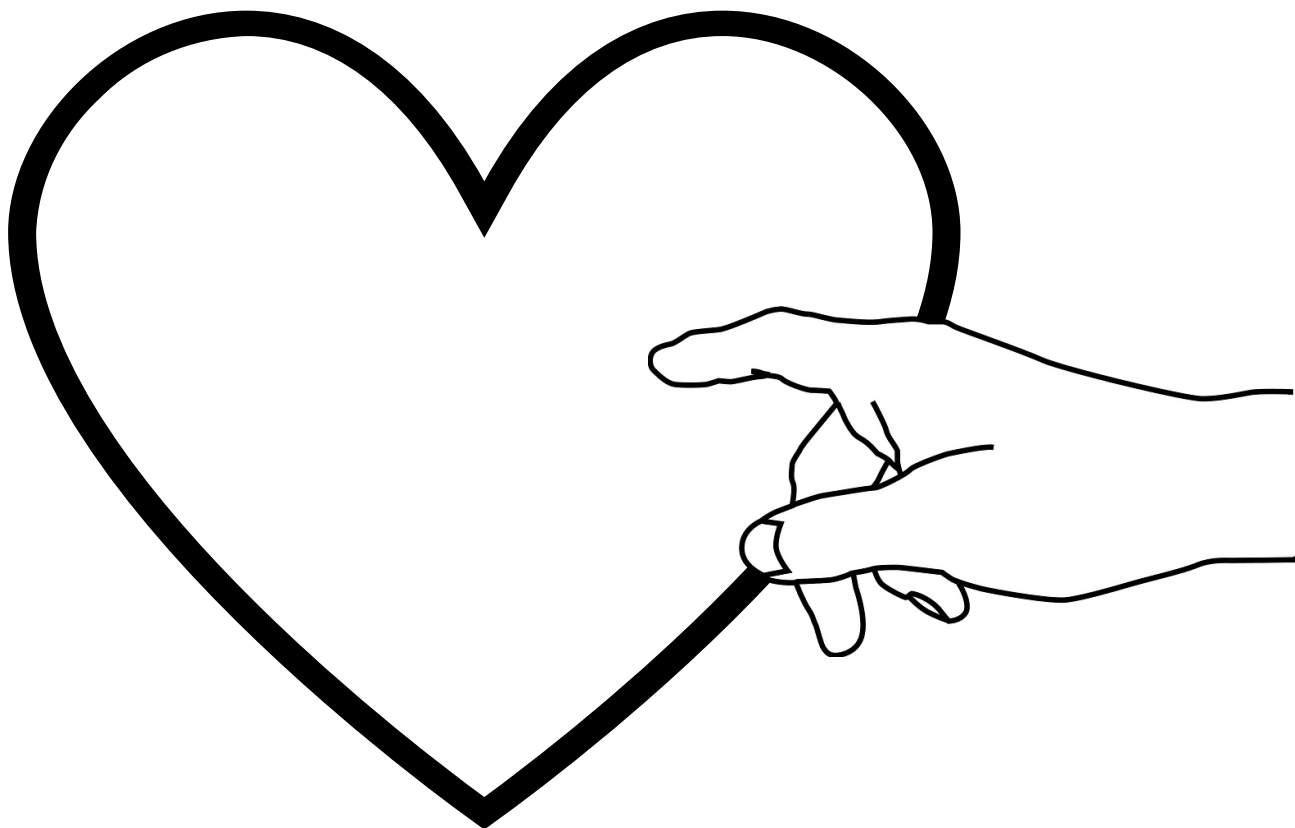


Ch 7: The Test of Discipleship

Steps to Christ Children's Activity Sheet

Summary: When we give our whole hearts and lives to Jesus, He sends the Holy Spirit to create a new heart and life in us. As we see our attitudes and actions changing to become more like Jesus, we know that we have become His disciples.

Activity: Jesus promises to write His law in our hearts and minds; in other words, to help us learn how to obey Him and be like Him. Look up **Hebrews 10:16**. Write the words on the heart below and color the picture.



Question: Where else did God write His law in the past (hint: think about an Old Testament Bible story)?

Activity: The “fruits of the Spirit” are the attitudes that grow in us as the Holy Spirit works in our hearts. Color the pictures below and learn what the fruits of the Spirit are.



Bible Story (John 13-15): The night before Jesus was crucified, Jesus was spending time with His disciples. These were the men who had spent the most time with Him and were learning to follow Him and to be like Him. Jesus told them, “If you love, you will obey what I command.” Then He explained that He would send them the Holy Spirit to teach them how to obey and to do the work He had given them to do. He reminded them of how much He had loved them, and told them to love each other in the same way. He told them that this is how the world would know that they were His disciples: if they loved one another. Just like the disciples, when we give our whole heart and life to Jesus, He sends the Holy Spirit to teach us and to give us strength to obey Him. When we obey Him, we show His love to everyone around us and this is how people know that we are His followers, His disciples.

Song: I've Got the Joy (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GTW5WCY37zU>)

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