# LOVE IN ACTION

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Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

— 1 John 3:18 (NIV)





- Thank God for an answered prayer this week.
- Pray for a heart that's willing to love even when it's hard or inconvenient.



#### **Engage**

Start the conversation with this question...

Recall a time someone showed you love through what they did, not just what they said.

### **Key Points**

Connect to God's truth by sharing...

- Because God loves us, we can love others in practical ways—like these three people in the Bible who showed love in action:
- Love endures. Ruth stayed with Naomi even when she had every reason to leave. We can endure through loss and uncertainty when our love is built on faithfulness, not convenience.
- Love stands with others and seeks their good.

  Jonathan supported David even when it cost
  him his own comfort and safety. We can protect,
  encourage, and call out God's purpose in each
  others' lives.
- Love breaks barriers. The Samaritan helped a stranger everyone else ignored. Our love can break social and cultural barriers as we give generously to those in need.
- With God's grace, we can endure, stand with others, and break barriers as we love the way He has loved us.

### Discuss Together (pick at least one)

- Which of the three kinds of love—enduring, standing firm, or stepping across barriers is hardest for you right now? Why?
- When has someone shown you love by simply staying by your side through a hard time?
- Who in your life might need love "in action" this week?
- What's one way you can help someone who can't repay you or thank you?



Declare this truth based on your identity in Christ

## **Key Truth**

In Christ, I can show love through my actions, just as He has loved me.

## Pray Together (pick at least one)

- Thank God for showing us what faithful love looks like through Jesus.
- Ask Him to help you love like Ruth, Jonathan, and the Good Samaritan this week.
- Pray for each other's prayer requests.

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"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you."

— John 15:12 (NIV)