



Virtues: Faith and Character Development

LOVE

How To Show Love

Quote of the month

Love is in your heart not to stay but to be shared

OR

Love is like the air we breathe. It may not always be seen, but it is always felt, used and Needed

Criteria for choosing student of the month in your class

1. Let your actions be guided by the idea that God says we should love one another as He has loved us.

- Think of what God's love is like
- If God is inside everyone, it becomes easier to try to show love to them

2. Jesus said we should love our enemy

- It's easy to show love to those with whom we are close. The challenge is to show love to those with whom we do NOT get along.
- We should try to respect and love everyone, even those who do NOT respect and love us back

3. The Bible says that Love is always patient and kind

- When we start to lose our patience with someone, we need to remember what love is
- One of the easiest way to show love to others is to be kind to them.

4. Live your life in a way that makes others know you are a follower of Christ

- The Golden rule asks us to love our neighbour as we would want them to love us
- Living a life of virtue means to show love to all whom we meet

Further suggestions for Faith and Character Development Education

- Communicate with your parish priest what the virtue of the month is and ask him to consider referring to this virtue during the school Mass
- If any students write the journals on the virtue of the month, consider putting an excerpt from each division into the school newsletter
- Morning announcements remain an excellent time to refer to the daily activity
- If you do not have a student council, you could suggest that each class come up with a one minute advertisement for the virtue of the month during shared or independent writing
- If you are choosing students of the month for the virtue, you can take their pictures and post them around the Faith and Character Development bulletin board.
- A reminder to consider including in your monthly newsletter the quote of the month for the virtue and the 3 or 4 main criteria that students are working towards showing for this virtue.