

Puppet Script

(PJG018)

Love one another

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PUPPET SCRIPT: “LOVE ONE ANOTHER” (PJJG018)

- Aim of script:** To teach that love is shown by our actions.
- Use of Script:** In an All Age Worship Service setting, this script could be introduced by teaching that Jesus demonstrated his love for us by giving up his life; and He wants us to demonstrate our love for others through our actions, and not simply through our words.
- The script could be followed by a time of prayer asking the Lord to show us how we can practically love members of our family, friends at school, people at work, other members of the church.....

Main themes: Loving others, love, service

Biblical references: Romans 5:8, 1John 3:11-17, John 13:34-35, Galatians 5:13-14

Characters: The script is a dialogue between a young boy puppet called “James” who wants to follow Jesus but keeps getting things wrong, and his wise old “Grandad” puppet who helps to sort him out. Each puppet is operated by one person from behind a screen and so it is essential that the voices are heard; radio-microphones are ideal. Puppets and puppet screens can be purchased from many sources including <http://www.onewayuk.com/>



Enter Grandad

Grandad: James, James where are you?

Enter James

James: Here I am Grandad...phew I'm exhausted!

Grandad: What have you been doing?

James: Gardening Grandad.....

Grandad: Good lad. Now your mum has just sent me to ask you to go and lay the table for tea before your friend Billy arrives.

James: No way, I'm not doing that!.....that's such a boring job. Why doesn't mum ask my sister to do it?

Grandad: Oh James.....let me ask you a very simple question.

James: Go on then Grandad.

Grandad: Do you love your mum?

- James: Of course I do Grandad. I love her loads and loads. I tell her all the time that I love her. You know that I do.
- Grandad: James...let me tell you something. When you love someone, it isn't enough to just say "I love you".....love is an action word!
- James: But I also give her a kiss at bedtime Grandad.
- Grandad: That's lovely James....but the most important way we can show our love for someone is by what we do for them.
- James: Well I've just done some gardening for mum.....
- Grandad: That's really great James, but your mum now needs you to lay the table.
- James: But I hate laying the table. Why should I have to do that?
- Grandad: Because doing what your mum has asked you to do, in other words, obeying her, is one of the best ways to show your mum that you love her.
- James: But it is so much effort laying the table Grandad.
- Grandad: Loving someone else takes effort James! Think about how much effort your mum puts into cooking a nice tea for you and for your friend Billy.
- James: But mum likes cooking Grandad and I don't enjoy laying the table.
- Grandad: Do you think your mum enjoys washing your socks?
- James: Ooooh, yuk, gross, no I think that is a horrible job.
- Grandad: How about all the other things your mum does for you? She may not enjoy doing those jobs, and most of them take a lot of effort and time, but she does them because she loves you.
- James: And she never complains like me.
- Grandad: Right....
- James: All right Grandad I will go and lay the table now for mum
- Grandad: Well done James and next time your mum asks you to do something, do it straightaway won't you....that would be a lovely surprise for her!
- James: Actually Grandad, I have a big surprise for mum in the garden.
- Grandad: Oh yes, you said that you had been gardening.....what have you been doing?
- James: I have just finished weeding the front flower border.

Grandad: I noticed that the flower border was ratherbare. I thought that perhaps your mum had decided to put some new plants in.....although she had only restocked that border last year.

James: Grandad, I thought it was time I did something without being asked.....so I got my trowel and dug up all of the weeds.....Mum was always saying that she needed to weed that border, so I did it for her.

Grandad: So what have you done with your mum's plants?

James: What plants? I thought that everything in that border was a weed.

Grandad: Oh James!

Exit James and Grandad