

## A Golden Heart

(Luke 10:30-37)

When a person is kind to another person, thinking kindly about him or doing him a favor, it is like having a beautiful golden heart. Whenever someone hurts another person with words or actions, it is like having a black heart just then.

## Materials

gold (or red) construction paper black construction paper *optional*: heart template scissors glue or tape

## Procedure

- 1. Cut two hearts from construction paper for each child, one black and the other golden (or red).
- 2. Glue or tape the hearts together, back to back.
- 3. When each child has one of the hearts, retell the story of the Good Samaritan (see Luke 10:30-37).

## Discussion

Ask the children to show you which color heart people showed:

- The priest when he walked by the Good Samaritan?
- The Levite?
- What about the Samaritan?
- What about the innkeeper?

Talk about ways this story may apply to our lives. For example, if a person makes an unwilling apology (and his "Sorry" sounds angry), would that be like having a black heart or a golden heart? Let the children think about it and decide.