

TASK SHEET 3

(Do in groups of three)

The Rule Of Love

In the left column are several people Jesus helped. In the right column (A) try to place a person or type of person in today's world whose problems are similar to those of the person in the left column. Then (B) tell how you think Jesus would act toward this person.

Bible Person

Today's Person

1. **THE LEPER** was a terrible sight. His sores were repulsive. He was contagious and a danger to the rest of the people. For this reason he had to live apart and could have no contact with other people. Jesus cured lepers.

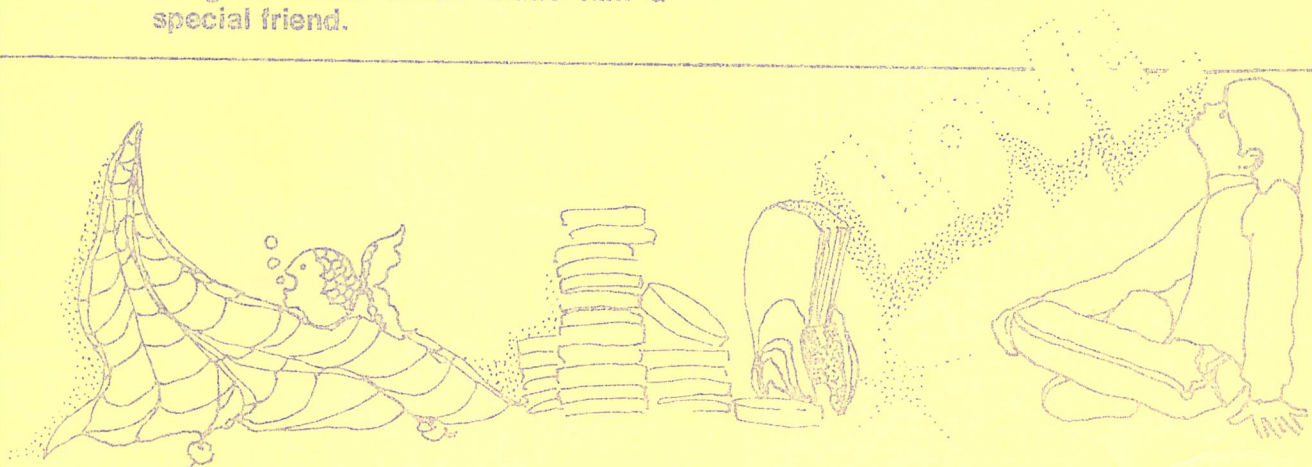
2. **MARY MAGDALEN** was a woman with a bad reputation. She was avoided by nice people and looked down upon as a public sinner. Jesus helped her and forgave her sins.

3. **PETER** was a simple fisherman. He also had a hot temper and easily lost it. Jesus befriended Peter and asked him to become a leader in the church.

4. **JUDAS** was a sneak. He loved money more than he loved people. Jesus made him a friend and allowed his betrayal to happen. Jesus never hated him.

5. **THE CENTURION** was a national enemy. All Jews were afraid of him. Jesus loved him and cured his servant.

6. **MATTHEW** was a tax collector, a job that was outside the Jewish law. He was hated and looked down upon by all good Jews. Jesus made him a special friend.



From the list below, choose three answers (or write in your own) which are closest to your idea of love. Then, from those three, choose the one that most says what love is for you. Be ready to explain why you chose that answer.

LOVE IS:

- a. A couple walking hand in hand in the park.
- b. A mother preparing dinner for her impatient children.
- c. Wondering what he/she is doing right now.
- d. Hearing bells ringing and seeing lights flash inside you when you meet the right person.
- e. Enduring days and weeks of waiting and hoping that he/she will call.
- f. Sharing hopes and disappointments.
- g. Learning to care about someone more than you care about yourself.
- h. Planning the future together.
- i. Parents who trust you enough to leave a decision to you.
- j. Sharing with one person special secrets or jokes that no one knows about.
- k. God's gift to us to share with each other.
- l. Seeing the beauty in others, even if they themselves can't see it.
- m. Add your own ideas here _____

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