

## *Jesus Shows Us How to Love Others*

**FOCUS:** In this chapter, you will be helping your child to understand that when we love others as Jesus did, we show our love for God.

To live a life deeply rooted in Christ is to see everything in the light of God's gracious love. Such a life prompts us to say with the psalmist, "How can I repay the Lord for all the good done for me?" (Psalm 116:12) Our eyes are opened to the needs of others as we listen and respond to God in the everyday happenings that reveal his presence and gifts. We see how we can relieve the needs of others by using our gifts, and we recognize and honor the gifts of others as we work together to bring Christ's love into our world.

As we try to live like Jesus, we recognize the needs of others and learn what is good, what God wants, and the perfect thing to do.

### **Scripture in This Chapter**

Matthew 25:34–40 The Last Judgment

Mark 12:30–31 The Great Commandment

Luke 2:42–52 The Boy Jesus in the Temple

John 15:12 Love One Another.

### ***Catechism of the Catholic Church***

531, 534, 678, 1823–1827

### **In this chapter, help your child to**

- ✦ understand that Jesus regards acts of love done for others as done for him.
- ✦ explain Jesus' Great Commandment.
- ✦ associate Jesus' obedience to his Father with the obedience he asks of us.
- ✦ understand that obeying parents and others who are in charge is obeying God.
- ✦ describe ways to make every day a kindness day.

### **Word Your Child Should Know**

- ✦ Great Commandment