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Supplies needed from Home:

-Mirror  
--Bible marked at 1 Corinthians 13

From your Kit:

-Focus Notebook  
-"Reflect Cards"  
-"Looking Looking Cards"

- **Opener** – pick one person to be the “actor” who will pick out a “Reflect card” from the pile and prepare to act it out. All others turn their back to the actor and look at them through a mirror, trying to guess what they are acting out (like charades). Take turns till all cards have been done.
- **Bible Point** – Ask: When you looked in the mirror, who did you see? How were you able to guess the word being acted out? We had to look past ourselves and keep focused on the actor. When we look past ourselves, and focus on others, we learn to live for God by loving others. Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a. When we love others and put others before ourselves, we are actually reflecting God’s love to them.
- **Today’s Bottom Line is – We can LIVE for God by loving others.**
- **Activity** – Using the “Looking Looking” cards, hold them up one at a time, in random order, have the others decipher what the word is, then put the words in order. It is our memory verse for the week!
- **FOCUS Notebook** – Turn to page 18, and have them read today’s bottom line. Turn to page 19 and have them write (or write for them, “One way I can show love...” and then invite them to finish the sentence or draw a picture that illustrates showing love to someone else.
- **Closing prayer** – “God, you love us so much! Every one of us is important to you. Help us to see ways we can love others. We want others to know they are important to us, and important to you! In Jesus’ name, Amen.



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