



Aim: To Chat and Share in the Family about some of the Maxims of Jesus

NOTE: Please copy or cut out the Maxim Cards, (in the boxes on the right), before the session.

Parent: Invite and welcome the child and other members of the family to gather around the dining table or kitchen table.

Tell everyone: Today we are going to play a simple game about some of the Maxims of Jesus

However, let's say a prayer together, (maybe the Our Father).

Parent begins a discussion:

- It's easy to love God. Is it?
- Allow your child and other members of the family to contribute –
- There are no wrong answers so no corrections!!!
- Let's look at some of the teachings of Jesus about loving our neighbour.
- We call them Maxims or Advice from Jesus about what we can do.

Parent: Let's play the Maxim Card Game.

Place the Maxim Cards (face down) on the table. Invite the child or a member of the family to pick one. The child reads what is on the card

All: Discuss: Please, no corrections – each one is free to share in honesty!

Reasons why are important:

- ❖ Is it easy to do this?
- ❖ Are there times when it is not so easy?
- ❖ After this, another member of the family can pick another maxim card.

Parent: Now let's us hear what Jesus once said to his friends:

- The Parent or another member of the family reads the following:
- One day Jesus was discussing with the people and one of them, who was a teacher of the Law, asked him:
- Now read the following passage, slowly, (Matthew 22:36-40):

“Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law?”
Jesus answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all our mind.
This is the first and most important of the commandments
But after this there is another which is like it.
You shall love your neighbour as yourself.

Parent: Ask: What is the advice or Maxim of Jesus in the above passage?

- Invite the child or member of the family to suggest a Song or a Prayer.

Copy these Maxims of Jesus or cut them out

☹ **Do good to those who do not like you**

😊 **Always treat others the way you want them to treat you** 😊

😊 **Forgive those who hurt you** ☹

😊 😊 **Share what you have with those who have nothing**

✝ **Make peace with others**

