



14 DAYS OF GOD'S LOVE

A Countdown for Kids

MAKING THE COUNTDOWN:

Simply print the pages on cardstock paper if you have it. This will make them durable enough to use next year too. I even laminated mine. (If you don't have a laminator yet, what are you waiting for? It's my favorite household appliance. Ha!)

Next, choose how you will display your countdown. Look for a great place in your home that gets frequent traffic. Here are a few of my favorites:

- *On the fridge door (tape or magnet)
- *On a mirror in the family room
- *On the bathroom door (you know everyone goes in there every day!)
- *On a bookcase in the school room

HOW WE USE THE COUNTDOWN EACH DAY:

1. Each morning when the kids wake up, they know to search for that day's heart. I hide it somewhere in the house and it's such fun to find it. I tell them that we are going on a treasure hunt for God's love.
2. Once we find it, we add it to our display and then look up the verse in the Bible. The kids take turns reading the verse.
3. I have them write the verse in their "God and Me Journals" and write or draw something that they think of when they read that verse. REAL LIFE---> Yes, sometimes we skip stuff like this. It happens and I'm totally ok with that. In fact, there is much benefit in just reading the verse and no reason to feel obligated to this step at all!
4. Together we talk about what they wrote or drew in the journals and then brainstorm some of the ways that we should respond to God's amazing love as we've seen in this verse. This can be as simple as saying kind words to your siblings. But it also is a great time to think of a way that your family could serve someone else today.



God's love is
a **GIFT.**

Romans 5:8



God's love is
for **EVERYONE.**

John 3:16



God's love is
PATIENT.

2 Peter 3:9



God's love is
MERCIFUL.

Ephesians 2:4,5



God's love is
PERFECT.

1 John 4:18



God's love is
KIND.

Psalms 145:17



God's love is
FAITHFUL.

Deut. 7:9



God's love is
GOOD.

Psalm 100:5



God's love
REJOICES.

Zeph. 3:17



God's love is
INSEPARABLE.

Romans 8:39



God's love is
STEADFAST.

Psalm 90:14



God's love is
FORGIVING.

Numbers 14:18



God's love is
UNCHANGING.

Numbers 23:19



God's love is
EVERLASTING.

Jeremiah 31:3