



THE WORKS OF MERCY PUT OUR HEARTS INTO ACTION



I listen

“The first quality of Christian love is to love everyone.

The art of loving means that we love everyone, like God does, without picking and choosing who we want to love.

We cannot make any differences between someone we like or someone we don't like, between an old person and a young person, between a citizen of our own country and a foreigner, between a person who is white or one who is black, between an Asian or a European or an American, between a Christina or Jew or Muslim or Hindu... **Using words that everyone can understand, we can say that love never discriminates.”**

Chiara, *The Art of Loving*, Rome 2005

Find a moment to read these stories in the Gospel about **when Jesus was on a journey and was welcomed by someone and invited into their home:**
Luke 10:38-42 & Luke 19:1-10



I read



I ask

The world, a home

“Often we hear someone say: «Those foreigners should go back home to where they came from!”

*Where did they come from? Where is their home? **The world is their home! We are living in a global society. Everyone claims to be happy about globalization, and so ‘their home’ is the world, which means they can go wherever they want.***

People who say these things are afraid. Instead you are not afraid because you love others. You are not even afraid to tell others all the good points about immigrants. You speak well about them to your friends, classmates, acquaintances (...)

Just think how you would like to be treated if you had to move to another country or to another city. You would really be grateful and happy if the people there would welcome you, and not make you feel afraid, and not look at you with suspicion. So you need to do the same with people who are new to your country and speak well about them.”

Vera Araujo | Sociologist



You can cut this out and put it in your notebook or hang it up in the kitchen...

Maybe you have a classmate or a neighbor who comes from another country. **Sometimes they have a hard time finding new friends and feeling welcome in a new place.**



Color in a house when you make friends with someone from another country.