Lend a Helping Hand

1. Memorize Matthew 5: 46, 47 from the Living Bible:
   "If you love only those who love you, what good is that? Even scoundrels do that much. If you are friendly only to your friends, how are you different from anyone else? Even the heathen do that."

2. Think about the ways God has blessed your family and things your family could share with others locally.

3. Plan a way for your family to share your blessings locally.

4. Save money for a specific mission project.

5. Roll play how you can be sensitive to those you share with, so they feel only genuine Christian love and concern.

Helps

1. Most versions use the term Tax Collector rather than scoundrel. Adventurers might understand the word scoundrel better than Tax Collector. You may have to explain heathen though.

2. There are many ways to share what God has blessed us with:
   a. A family might have a large garden and could share produce or flowers.
   b. Visit shut-ins and sing to cheer them.
   c. Taking toys to a children’s ward of a hospital

3. Make actual plans to do something, not just talk about it
4. ADRA and Maranatha are two of our churches organizations that are doing a wonderful work worldwide. There are many other projects. The idea is to help families get a world view as well as a local view.

5. It is always important to remember to be sensitive to the people we share with. To remember that they may not appreciate being thought of as “downtrodden” or needy. Always treat people with the utmost respect and kindness.