
WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT?

Learning Goals

1. NCSYers will understand the necessity of love/care in our relationships.
2. NCSYers will understand that just as there are mitzvot focusing on God, there are mitzvot focusing on other people (בין אדם למקום & חברו)
3. NCSYers will understand how to practice loving others and God.

Advisor Toolbox:

VIDEOS/ARTICLES

- What Is It You Desire Most? <https://tinyurl.com/DesireMost>

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Do you need to love yourself in order to love others?
- How do you develop love?

A Little Explanation

1. Consider the first question carefully, can humans really function without love?
How can we be commanded to channel emotions?
2. Focus on how Hashem commands us to love each other and care for each other.
Ask them why they think God won't forgive the sins we do against each other.
3. Ask them which type of mitzvah they think is more important between man and God or man and man.
4. **Whilst all the mitzvot are important, you may wish to introduce the concept of שנות חנם and how the second ק"מ has still not been rebuilt as a result.**
5. Your relationships with others and the way you treat others is a reflection of Hashem's relationship with us. "We resemble Hashem most in our relationship with our fellow human beings"
6. A helpful source: Rav Dessler says that the root of the word love (אהבה) is "הב" – to give. In order to develop love we need to give.
 - If we wonder how we are supposed to love others, we can GIVE to them!
7. Ending from video:

"What does he get in return for doing this every day? He gets nothing. He won't be richer. He won't appear on TV. Still anonymous. And not a bit more famous. What he does receive are emotions. He witnesses happiness. Reaches a deeper understanding. Feels the love. Receives what money can't buy and a world made more beautiful."