

# Craft

*A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.*  
Luke 6:45

Part of learning to be encouraging is learning to have encouraging words. The Bible speaks over and over again about taming the tongue, using words wisely and listening before we speak. We are encouraged to speak with respect, love and gentleness as we tell people about Jesus. We know how easily words can harm. Just like we learn to have loving encouraging hands, we need to have loving, encouraging words. Make a goofy paper plate face to remind us to tame our tongues.

Colour a face on the paper plate, and then cut a small slit the size of tongue depressor on the mouth. Colour the tongue depressor (or strip of cardboard) pink or red and stuck them in the mouth.

Add the hair. You can move the tongue back and forth from behind the plate.



## Craft 2 – The Tongue

Print on copy paper. Any color would be fine -- a flesh tone would be great. With an xacto blade, cut on the thin line in the lips. Fold in half and then in half again. The fold should be at the bottom of the booklet. Glue sides shut. Leave top open.

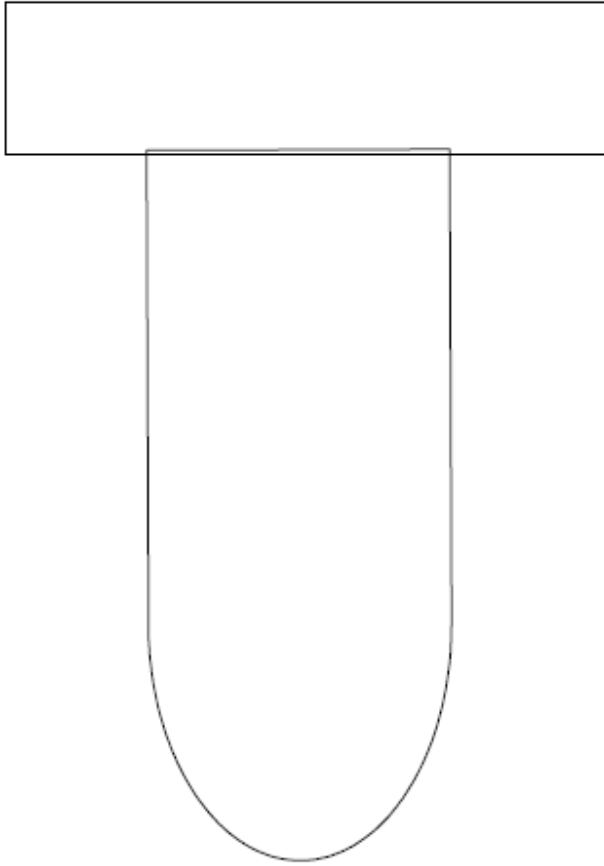
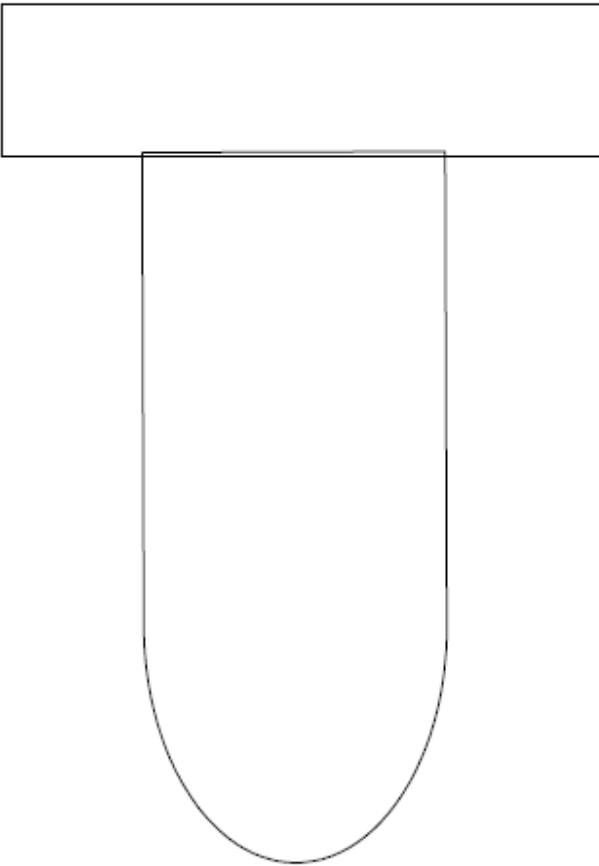
Copy 2 tongues (preferably on cardstock) per booklet. Copy on red paper if desired. Slip tongue through opening in top and let it stick out a little through the lips. During class, the students can pull out the tongues and draw pictures or glue words describing or write words describing the good things the tongue does on the happy face's tongue and the bad things the tongue does on the mad face's tongue.

Send home as a take home for today's lesson or glue into the project folder.

# The Tongue...

**is a small part of  
the body but it  
brags about  
great things.**





Brag	Praise God
Tell Lies	Tell The Truth
Talk Bad About Others	Say Good Things About Others
Speak Foolishly	Say Wise Things

### Craft 3 - Heart Weaving

#### Materials:

Construction Paper  
Scissors  
Glue  
Pen  
Bible  
Template

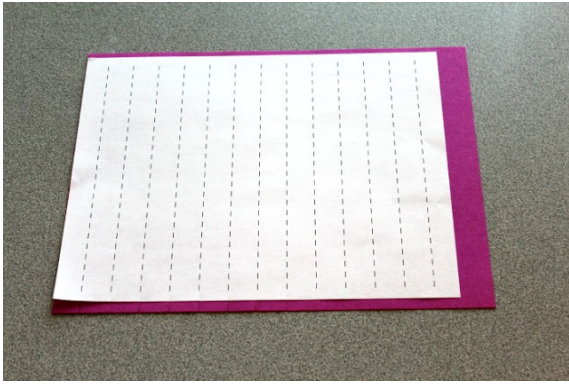
First, fold a large sheet of construction paper in half for each child. Print and cut out the template (provided below) and place the straight edge on the folded edge of your construction paper. Use the template as your guide as you cut your heart shape out.



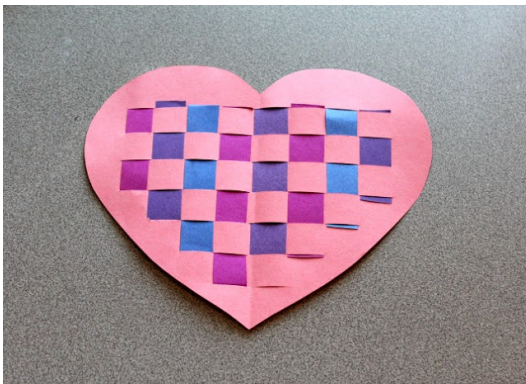
Next, cut on the dotted lines. Your heart will look like this; kind of like a broken heart 😞



Cut out strips of paper to weave into your heart. Before you have your children weave, take out your Bible and read 1 John 4:19 with them. Talk about how Jesus loved us so much that He died for us so that we can go to heaven and be with Him. Ask your children who they love and how they show those people they love them? You can even write people's names on the strips of paper.

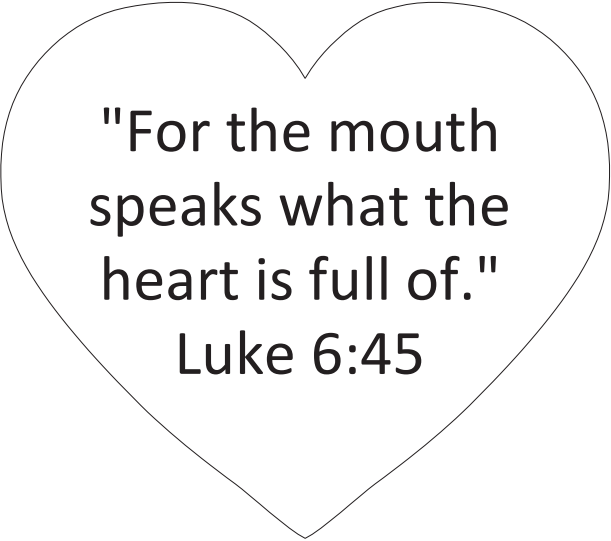


When you weave your hearts, encourage your children to keep weaving even if it is difficult because sometimes – loving others takes work.



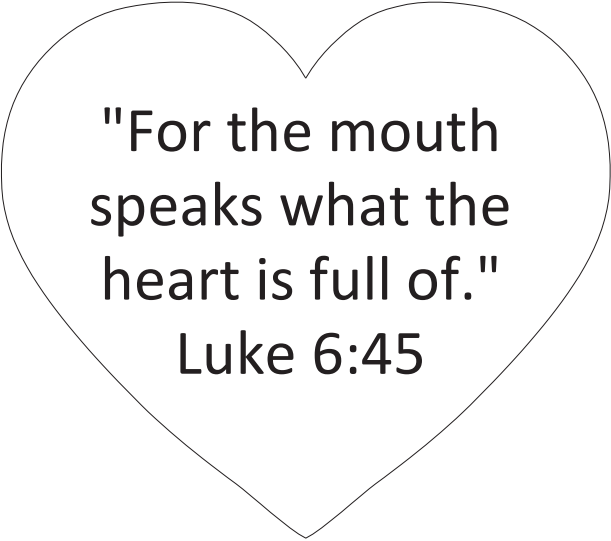
Trim your strips of paper and glue the ends down. Paste hear with verse in the middle of the woven heart.

When we accept Jesus's love into are hearts, it fills us like nothing else can!

A heart shape with a thin black outline, containing text.

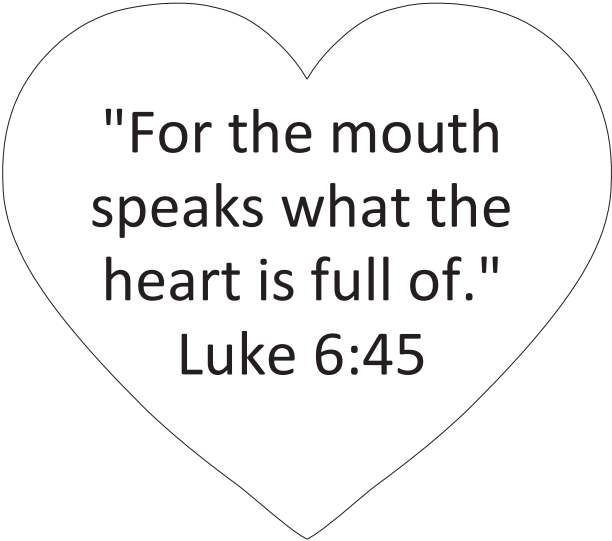
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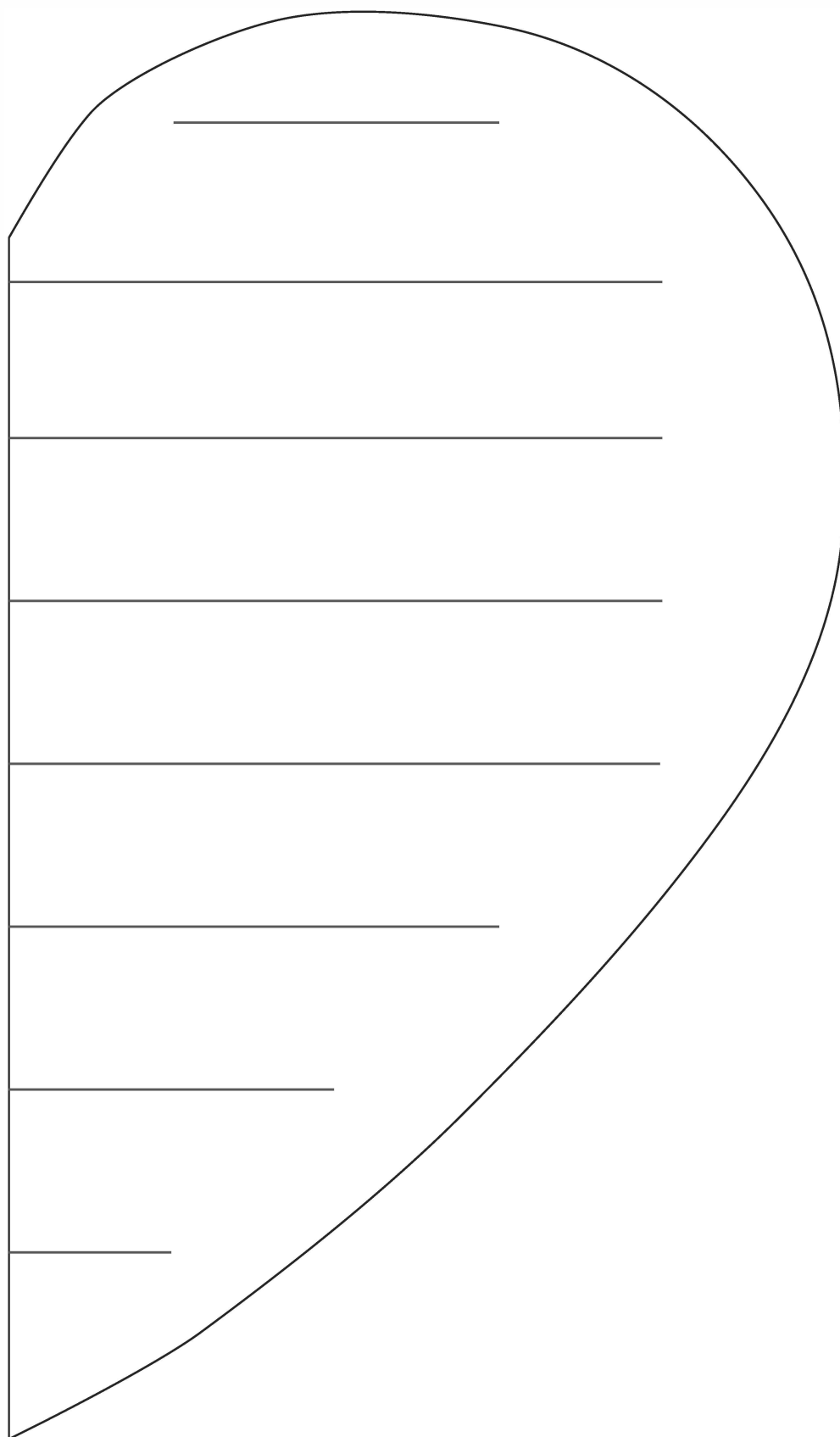
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#### **Craft 4 – Fill the Heart**

Fill the heart with encouraging words to build people up, you could write in the smaller hearts then paste inside or around the larger heart.

**For the mouth speaks  
what the heart is full of.  
Luke 6:45b**

