



When you share audacious love with someone you can tell them, “I want to show you God’s love in a simple practical way!”

In the ideas below, you will find some that are free and involve nothing but time. You don’t have to pick something on this list. The hope is that you’ll serve someone in some way, to show God’s audacious love with no strings attached. These are bicycle “training wheels” to get you started with the outward focused mindset.

Be creative...be available...see a need...meet the need.

1. **Drive Thru Freebie** - Let the person at the pay window of a drive thru restaurant know that you’re picking up the tab for the person in the vehicle behind you. Ask how much, pay for it and then give them a connection card to give to the person when they tell them their meal is free, and you’re on your way. You’ll probably get a fun reaction out of the drive thru person taking your money as well.
2. **Surprise A Neighbor** - Rake their leaves, shovel their snow, or help with yardwork for them.
3. **Free Babysitting** - Offer your babysitting services to neighbors with kids so they can have a date night.
4. **Volunteer** - Bless someone with your time and energy.
5. **Fill Their Tank** - Fill up the gas tank of the person at the pump next to you.
6. **Surprise Your Cashier** - Ask the cashier which of the items is their favorite (they’ll think you are just trying to get their info on which is best to buy for yourselves). Buy it and then give it to them.
 - a. If it is a place where they get food for free (like Subway) it doesn’t work...works best at candy stores, etc.
 - b. If a store that has “impulse” purchases, ask them their favorite soda/snack/gum. While you’re at it, get one for someone else waiting in line too.
7. **Buy Breakfast** - Send a box of donuts/bagels/muffins to a construction site or workplace, with connection card taped to the box.
8. **Big Tip** - Leave an extra big tip (leave your normal tip plus \$10 or so) and a little note for your waiter/waitress
 - a. BONUS: Find out 2 things about your server. (They’re paid to be friendly. We’re called to be friendly. Get to know the people at your local restaurant.)
9. **Pizza Delivery** - Buy a neighbor or stranger a pizza and give them your free gift and a connection card.
10. **Post Office Stamps** - A church holds a major stamp outreach on April 15th for late tax filers. They just stand by the mail drop off boxes with a card table filled with food and stamps and connection cards. Not only do they give out stamps but also coffee and donuts – stress recovery food.
11. **“Love Attack”** - This one is fantastic. You’ll love it. Find an unsuspecting single parent and tell them that they have you for two hours. You’ll paint, fix, clean or do whatever they need around the house. You might want to warn them that you’re not a professional painter/fixer/cleaner person...but you can clean out basements, garages, drawers or whatever else they need done, with the best of them. This is a great one for a family or a small group.
12. **Diaper Donation** - Give diapers to a new parent. Find a parent of a little one and you’ll have found a parent that’s buying a silly number of diapers. Take them some diapers and you’ll bless them in a huge way.
13. **Laundromat Token Giveaway** - At most Laundromats the tokens are just quarters – so grab a roll of quarters and head to the Laundromat. (This is one that may be best as a woman-to-woman outreach.)
14. **Thank Your Local Service Agencies** (Police, Fire Department, etc) - You can write a letter, put together a gift basket, or just stop by and tell them. Don’t be afraid to take this to the next level. Get creative!
15. **Vending Machine Surprise** - Provide money with your connection card so the next person who wants a snack gets it.
16. **Newspaper Gifting** – Some convenience stores allow the entire stack of newspapers to be purchased. Place a sign on the top of the stack that reads “Free Newspapers – Courtesy of Iron Mill Church.” Each newspaper can have a card attached with removable adhesive.
17. **Library Fine** – Leave \$20 for the next person who has fines. Leave a card in an envelope for the person to see why their fine was paid.
18. **Elderly Neighbor** – See if you can take in firewood for an elderly neighbor, take the trash out for them on trash day, clean out their rain gutters, etc.
19. **Love Audaciously** - Get creative of your own ways to Love Audaciously as Christ loves us!

“We love because he first loved us.” 1 John 4:9