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Children's
Sermon

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JANÉE ANGEL

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PREPARATION

Have spices such as salt, nutmeg and cinnamon to show the children, and the picture of Janée Angel and Hary found at www.cbf.net/ogm-resources

LESSON

Say: Good morning everyone! When we celebrate holidays like Thanksgiving and Christmas, we always have lots of food. Food brings everyone together. We sit around a table, eating together and enjoying each other's company. Food is one way that we can let everyone know that they are welcome.

Ask: Have you ever thought about all the time it takes to make that food?

Say: Before we can eat all that yummy food at Thanksgiving and Christmas, someone has to cook it. Someone, maybe your mom or dad or grandma or grandpa, spends time making that food. They sprinkle some seasoning in it (show your spices) to make it taste good, and cook it so that you can have something delicious to eat. One way that we show people we care is by cooking for them. It's also a way we can show others that they are welcome. When we give someone a place at our table, they know they are welcome.

In the Middle Eastern world, life centers around food. Women spend hours every day cooking. A good meal says "welcome!" to all who enter the home.

Janée Angel and her husband, Hary, moved to Antwerp, Belgium, in 2011 to minister to people from the Middle East. When they moved, Janée knew how important food is to show people that they are welcome. She learned to cook many of the Middle Eastern foods that refugees love to eat. These foods use seven very special spices; but she also uses one spice that we all know: salt! (Show spices.)

Food brings comfort to us and shows us that we are welcome. Janée and Hary love showing refugees that they are welcome in their new country. Refugees are people who had to leave their homes because it wasn't safe. Many of the refugees who arrive in Belgium come from places like Syria. Syria is far away and the journey is dangerous. But they go to Belgium so they can have a safe place to live. There, Janée and Hary share God's love with them as well as delicious food. They show them that they are welcome, and that they are safe.

Ask: How can we show others that they are welcome here?

Say: There are many things we can do to help others feel welcome. We can share God's love with them just like Janée and Hary do with refugees. We can help everyone feel welcome.



Pray:

Dear God,

Thank you for Janée Angel and Hary. Thank You for all they do to help refugees feel welcome. Keep the refugees safe as they travel. Help them to feel Your love. Help us to make others in our community feel welcome too! Amen.

*This information is taken from Janée's blog:

<https://seasonedwithspice.wordpress.com/seasoned-with-spice/>

