



Rain falls on both the good and the bad because of God's mercy. He shows His love and patience to all and His mercy is always on time (2 Peter 3:9). God's love is beyond measure.

YOU WILL NEED:

- 1 Big Clear Plastic Bottle
- 9 Small Plastic Spoons
- 6 Small Googly Eyes
- 3 Medium Buttons
- Floral Wire
- Black Marker
- Brushes
- Clear Tape
- Paper
- Rocks
- Sand
- Paint
- Scissors
- Ruler
- Cutters
- Hot Glue



DIRECTIONS:



1. Cut out two narrow strips of paper. Glue them end to end. Wrap the strip around the bottle.



2. Using a marker, mark around the edge of the paper.



3. Carefully cut the plastic along the marked line, being careful not to crush the bottle.



4. Put some rocks at the bottom of the bottle. Pour sand over the rocks. Shake the bottle to get the sand in between the rocks. Sand and stones should cover the bottom of the bottle by about 2".



5. Attach the ruler to the bottle, with the starting point of the ruler at the top of the sand. Secure the ruler with clear tape around the bottle.



6. Fasten 3 or 4 pieces of floral wire together. Wrap the wire tightly around the bottle without pulling on it. Twist the wire ends so there are no sharp points sticking out.



7. Paint six plastic spoons red and three spoons black. Let dry. Cut off the spoon handles.



8. Glue two red spoons to each black one.



9. Twist wire to make antennae for the ladybugs. Hot glue the antennae to the buttons. Paint the antennae and buttons black.



10. Hot glue the heads with antennae to the ladybugs. Hot glue the eyes. Paint some black spots on the wings. Paint on a white mouth.



11. Hot glue wire loops to the ladybugs' tummies.



12. Put the wire loops through the wire wrapped around the bottle. Fill the bottle with water up to the top of the sand. Put the bottle outside in an open area. Lady bugs will watch the amount of water that collects along with you.

Adult assistance is suggested.