

Hey Families!

Here's what we're learning:

This month's theme is:



Monthly Memory Verse

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God.
(1 John 3:1a)

1 Corinthians (1 Corinthians 13)

Week 1

Brite Idea: God's love is perfect.

He Question: What is God's love like?

God's love is perfect and unconditional. His love is good and kind. It never ends and never fails.

We Question: How can God's love impact us?

Understanding what God's love is like helps us feel secure that we are always deeply loved. We can see what real love is like and show that kind of love to others.

Philippians (Philippians 2)

Week 2

Brite Idea: Jesus showed us humility.

He Question: How did Jesus show humility?

Even though He is God, Jesus chose to come to Earth as a man and even chose to die on the cross for our sins. He put us ahead of Himself.

We Question: How does Jesus' example affect how we think of others?

The way of Jesus is different than the way of the world. Jesus modeled putting other people before ourselves and looking for ways to serve them.

Colossians (Colossians 1)

Week 3

Brite Idea: Jesus is greater than all things.

He Question: Why is Jesus greater than everything else?

Jesus came before everything else and now reigns over everything. He created everything and He made it possible for us to be right with God. Nothing and no one is greater than Him.

We Question: How is life different when we know Jesus is greater?

When we realize Jesus is greater than anything else, He changes how we view our lives. Getting to know Him better becomes most important as He shows us how to live His way.

1 & 2 Thessalonians (1 Thessalonians 4-5, 2 Thessalonians 1-2)

Week 4

Brite Idea: Jesus will return one day.

He Question: Why is Jesus coming back?

When Jesus died on the cross and rose again, He made a way for us to be made new. However, the world is still broken by sin. When Jesus comes back, He will make all things new.

We Question: Does Jesus' return mean anything for us now?

We can live with hope because we know one day Jesus will restore everything that is broken in our world. Each day we can serve Him with joy, waiting for the day we see Him face-to-face.

1, 2, 3 John (1 John 4:7-21, 2 John 1:5-6)

Week 5

Brite Idea: God's love helps us love others.

He Question: What does "God is love" mean?

Perfect love is the core of who God is. He is the source of all love. The greatest example of His love was sending Jesus to die for our sins.

We Question: Does it matter if we love others?

We show we understand the greatness of God's love by showing that love to others. God says we can't truly love Him and not love the people He loves.

FAMILY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY & SATURDAY
REMEMBER & RESPOND	WONDER & DISCUSS	EXPLORE	REVIEW	PUT INTO PRACTICE	PREPARE AHEAD
<p>WEEK 1 -----</p> <p>God's love is perfect. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Psalm 103:11 What does this verse tell us about God's love?</p>	<p>Use a measuring tape to measure different items. Look at the sky and talk about how God's love is immeasurable.</p>	<p>1 JOHN 3:1A</p> <p>What do you think it means that God calls us His children?</p>	<p>Play a game of love charades. Let each family member act out how they can show love to someone this week.</p>	<p>Give each family member a compliment. READ TOGETHER: Philippians 2 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 2 -----</p> <p>Jesus showed us humility. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: Proverbs 11:2 Why do you think humility leads to wisdom?</p>	<p>Write a thank you note to someone, like Paul did to the Philippians for bringing him a gift in prison.</p>	<p>1 JOHN 3:1A</p> <p>How do you think God shows love to His children?</p>	<p>Humble yourselves as a family to help your neighborhood—pick up trash, weed the playground, etc.</p>	<p>Pray about a difficulty your family is facing. READ TOGETHER: Colossians 1:15-23 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 3 -----</p> <p>Jesus is greater than all things. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: John 16:33 How did Jesus overcome the world?</p>	<p>Play worship music about Jesus getting us through difficult times when you travel together in the car.</p>	<p>1 JOHN 3:1A</p> <p>How should we live as children of God?</p>	<p>Share about a difficult situation this week. Talk about how you relied on Jesus through it.</p>	<p>Prepare a meal or dessert together. READ TOGETHER: Matthew 25:31-34 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 4 -----</p> <p>Jesus will return one day. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: John 14:1-3 What is Jesus preparing for believers?</p>	<p>Make a list of ways you can serve others as a family.</p>	<p>1 JOHN 3:1A</p> <p>Why should being a child of God excite us for Jesus' return?</p>	<p>Write ways you can serve Jesus joyfully. Put them in a jar and draw one a week. Challenge your family to put it into practice.</p>	<p>Hide cut out hearts as reminders to show God's love to each other. READ TOGETHER: 1 John 4:11 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p>WEEK 5 -----</p> <p>God's love helps us love others. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p>READ TOGETHER: John 13:34-35 How can we show Jesus that we are His disciples?</p>	<p>Create a Blessings Jar. Write ways that God has shown His love to your family and put them in the jar. Take one out daily.</p>	<p>1 JOHN 3:1A</p> <p>What does it mean to be a child of God?</p>	<p>Think of three people who might be difficult to love. How can we show them God's love with an act of kindness or encouragement?</p>	<p>Discuss ways to share the good news of Jesus with others in your community. READ TOGETHER: Matthew 28:16-20 DISCUSS: What does this teach us about God?</p>

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