

# HEY, FAMILIES!

This month's theme is:



Here's what we're learning:



## MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

*As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you.  
Abide in My love. (John 15:9)*

### THE PRODIGAL SON

(Luke 15:11-24)

March 1

**Brite Idea:** Jesus never stops loving us.

**He Question:** Can there be an end to God's love?

*God is love. His love is not based on anything we do or don't do. It never ends and never gives up.*

**We Question:** Does God care about people who are far from Him?

*God loves every single person. He wants people who are far from Him to turn away from sin, return to Him and trust in Jesus as Savior.*

### THE TEN LEPERS

(Luke 17:11-19)

March 8

**Brite Idea:** Jesus loves everyone.

**He Question:** Is there anyone Jesus doesn't love?

*Jesus loves every single person, no matter who they are and what they've done. Even if the whole world rejects someone, Jesus loves them.*

**We Question:** How can we respond to Jesus' love?

*We can respond to Jesus with praise and gratefulness for all He does for us.*

### TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

(Matthew 21:1-11)

March 15

**Brite Idea:** Jesus came to save us.

**He Question:** Why did the people celebrate Jesus?

*The people recognized Jesus as King. He fulfilled Old Testament prophecy and showed He was the promised Messiah who came to save the people.*

**We Question:** Why do we need to be saved?

*We all sin and are separated from God. We needed to be saved from sin and death, which Jesus did when He took our place, died on the cross and rose again.*

### CLEANSING OF THE TEMPLE

(Matthew 21:12-17; Mark 11:15-18)

March 22

**Brite Idea:** Jesus loves what is right.

**He Question:** How is Jesus righteous?

*Jesus is completely good and does nothing wrong. He loves what is right and always follows God's way.*

**We Question:** Is God angry when we sin?

*Sin does make God angry because He is righteous, but He always loves us. When we trust in Jesus as Savior, He takes our sin and gives us His righteousness. God sees the righteousness of Jesus in us.*

### JUDAS BETRAYS JESUS

(Luke 22:1-6, 39-53; John 13:1-17)

March 29

**Brite Idea:** Jesus loves us while we are still sinners.

**He Question:** Does Jesus know what we do?

*Jesus knows everything about us, including everything we think, say and do, yet He still loves us.*

**We Question:** How does Jesus feel about us when we sin?

*Jesus loves us always, no matter what. However, because He loves us, He wants us to ask forgiveness and seek to live life His way.*

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# FAMILY CALENDAR



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY & SATURDAY
REMEMBER & RESPOND	WONDER & DISCUSS	EXPLORE	REVIEW	PUT INTO PRACTICE	PREPARE AHEAD
<p><b>March 1</b>-----</p> <p>Jesus never stops loving us. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p><b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Psalm 136:1 What can we give thanks to God for today?</p>	<p>Make paper bag puppets of the people and animals from the story. Put on a puppet show together retelling the story.</p>	<p><b>JOHN 15:9</b> Who is "the Father" in this verse?</p>	<p>Have a competition to see who can create the longest snake out of modeling dough while you discuss God's unending love.</p>	<p>Make some heart-shaped cookies together. <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Luke 17:11-19 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p><b>March 8</b>-----</p> <p>Jesus loves everyone. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p><b>READ TOGETHER:</b> 1 John 3:1a What has the Father given to us?</p>	<p>Tape as many bandages to a blank piece of paper as you can in one minute.</p>	<p><b>JOHN 15:9</b> Whom does Jesus love?</p>	<p>Brainstorm a tangible way to show love to your neighbor(s). Choose one day this week to carry it out.</p>	<p>Play a couple rounds of hopscotch together. <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Matthew 21:1-11 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p><b>March 15</b>-----</p> <p>Jesus came to save us. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p><b>READ TOGETHER:</b> John 3:16 Why did Jesus come to save us?</p>	<p>One at a time, have each family member make a grand entrance into dinner.</p>	<p><b>JOHN 15:9</b> How does Jesus show His love?</p>	<p>Paint a picture of a cross together and hang it somewhere visible once it dries.</p>	<p>Blow up some balloons and try to keep them in the air. <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Matthew 21:12-17 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p><b>March 22</b>-----</p> <p>Jesus loves what is right. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p><b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Psalm 103:8-10 How is the Lord full of love?</p>	<p>Go through your toys and clean out some of the old or broken ones.</p>	<p><b>JOHN 15:9</b> In our story, how did God show His love?</p>	<p>Play store together and create prices and practice giving the correct change back.</p>	<p>Have a movie and popcorn night. <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Luke 22:1-6, 39-53; John 13:1-17 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?</p>
<p><b>March 29</b>-----</p> <p>Jesus loves us while we are still sinners. What does this mean for me?</p>	<p><b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Romans 5:8 How did God demonstrate His love for us?</p>	<p>Play a game of Uno™ together. Discuss God's forgiveness.</p>	<p><b>JOHN 15:9</b> How can we stay close to God?</p>	<p>Write or draw your praises to God for His love and tape them to the wall.</p>	<p>Put on some upbeat music and have a dance party. <b>READ TOGETHER:</b> Mark 15:21-16:8 <b>DISCUSS:</b> What does this teach us about God?</p>

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