



PARENT GUIDE – PRESCHOOL

WEEK OF MARCH 21-22



Have fun learning and playing with your preschooler. First, watch the preschool video to hear God's truth in a way your child can understand and enjoy. Then, follow up with the activities below!

MEMORY VERSE

"Love one another."
John 13:34, NIV

KEY QUESTION

How can you love like Jesus?

BOTTOM LINE

I can love everyone.

Bible Story Recap

The father in our story today loved his son no matter what. Let's see what you remember about our story!

- Who was in our story today? (*Father, Son*)
- What did the son ask the father for? (*money he would get when he was older*)
- Did the father give it to him? (*yes*)
- What did the son do with the money? (*he spent everything he had on parties, clothes*)
The son had no money left.
- The son decided to go home. What did his father do? (*welcomed and forgave him, threw a party*)
- Share: Jesus loves us, just like that father loved his son. Jesus loves us no matter what we do and forgives us. We can forgive others too.

Activity

Do you see these faces? Let's talk about each one. (*Hold up sheet and point to each emoji and identify the emotion: happy, sad, or angry.*) I'm going to give you a few examples and I want you to point to the face that shows the way you would feel in that situation. For example: Your mom tells you to go to time out because you disobeyed. Point to the face that would show how you feel.



Scenarios:

- Your brother breaks your brand-new toy.
- You dropped your ice cream cone.
- You can't find your new stuffed animal.
- You fight with your sister.
- Your brother eats the last cookie.
- You want to play outside but it's raining.
- Your mom made your favorite lunch.
- Your ball rolls into the storm drain.
- Your dad accidentally stepped on your new LEGO® creation.
- Your mom will not let you have another treat.

Share: Sometimes things happen that make us sad or angry. But God loves you all the time, no matter how you feel. He loves you when you're really, really mad and when you're super, super sad. And because He loves you, you can love others too, even when you're sad or angry.

Prayer

"Dear God, thank You for such a special time learning how to love everyone the way Jesus loves everyone. I pray that (*name of child/children*) will grow up to help others, share when they have a little or a lot, and love everyone no matter what, just like Jesus. Thank You for loving us no matter what and for giving us Jesus to be our friend forever. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."