

SESSION 19 PARENT CONNECTION

THE PROMISED ONE

TODAY'S POINT: JESUS IS THE ONE GOD PROMISED.

BIBLE STORY

Jesus Is the Messiah (Matthew 16:13-28; Luke 9:18-27; Mark 8:27-30)

KEY POINTS

- Jesus asked His disciples (helpers) who they thought He was.
- His disciples (helpers) said that some people thought He was someone else.
- Peter answered and said that Jesus is the Son of God.

KEY VERSE: Matthew 16:24

FAMILY READING

Matthew 16:13-16 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Who did the disciples say some people thought Jesus was? (John the Baptist, Elijah, or a prophet)
- Who did Peter say Jesus is? (The Son of God)
- Who do you think Jesus is? How can you show Jesus that you know He is God's Son?

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Luke 6:27

BIBLE STORY

The Parable of the Good Samaritan
(Luke 10:25-37)

KEY POINTS

- A neighbor is someone who shows kindness.
- The Samaritan was the only one who showed kindness and acted like a neighbor to the hurt man.
- By showing kindness and loving others, we show that we love God.

FAMILY READING

Luke 10:30-37 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Who was a true neighbor to the hurt man? (The Samaritan)
- What made the Samaritan a good neighbor? (He showed kindness.)
- Who do you need to be a better neighbor to? How can you show that person the love of God?

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SESSION 2 | PARENT CONNECTION

THE LOST ARE FOUND

TODAY'S POINT: JESUS LOVES ME, SO I AM SPECIAL.

Jesus loves
you.
John 15:12

BIBLE STORY

The Lost Sheep, Coin, and Son
(Luke 15; Matthew 18:10-14)

KEY POINTS

- The sheep and the coin might not have been important to everyone, but these items were very special to those who lost them.
- Jesus told these stories because He wants people to understand that everyone is special to Him.
- This means that you are special. Jesus loves you!

KEY VERSE: John 15:12

FAMILY READING

Luke 15:1-10 (Retell in words preschoolers will understand. For older kids, consider reading the entire chapter.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What did the people in the stories do when they found their lost items? (They celebrated.)
- Are there times you've treated someone else like he's not special? How can you help that person know he is special—especially to God?
- Are there times you don't feel special? What do you need to remember?



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SESSION 22 PARENT CONNECTION

THE FIRST ARE LAST

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"Love one
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John 15:17

BIBLE STORY

The Unforgiving Servant
(Matthew 18:21-35)

KEY POINTS

- We should forgive others.
- God sent Jesus because He loves us. God forgives us when we do not obey.
- We should forgive others because God forgives us.

KEY VERSE: John 15:17

FAMILY READING

Matthew 18:23-35 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What did the king do for his servant who owed him a lot of money? (The king forgave what the servant owed him.)
- Who showed mercy (kindness)? The king or the servant? (The king because he was willing to forgive a very large debt—something that the servant could never repay.)
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Luke 12:22,24

BIBLE STORY

Possessions and the Kingdom of God
(Luke 12:13-34)

KEY POINTS

- Jesus taught His disciples (helpers) about the importance of not worrying about having enough money, food, or owning a lot of things.
- Jesus taught that God knows what we need and will give those things to us.
- Jesus helps us understand that our real treasure is knowing God.

KEY VERSE: Luke 12:22,24

FAMILY READING

Luke 12:22-34 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Who should our hearts love most? (God/Jesus)
- Why should we not worry about wealth or the things we need? (God will take care of us. He knows what we need and loves His children.)
- How are you getting to know God better?



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SESSION 24 PARENT CONNECTION

THE GENEROUS KING

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Jesus said, "Love others as I love you."
John 13:34

BIBLE STORY

The Vineyard Workers (Matthew 20:1-16)

KEY POINTS

- God knows our needs. He gives what is best for us. We can trust that He is a good, loving God.
- God wants all people to know and love Him.
- God loves everyone the same—no matter who they are or what they have done.

KEY VERSE: John 13:34

FAMILY READING

Mathew 20:1-16 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- How did the vineyard owner show kindness? (He provided work and money for the workers.)
- What has God given you? How can you show thankfulness to God for all He has given you?
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Mark 12:31

BIBLE STORY

The Wedding Banquet (Matthew 22:1-14)

KEY POINTS

- The king wanted the people to come to his celebration, but they chose not to come.
- Jesus loves everyone and wants to live with us forever. Some people choose not to.
- We should choose to love Jesus and love all people, just as He does.

KEY VERSE: Mark 12:31

FAMILY READING

Matthew 22:1-14 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What happened when the people didn't come to the celebration? (The king sent his servants out to invite other people.)
- How can we show Jesus that we choose to love Him?
- Do you know someone who needs to know Jesus loves her? How can you show her?



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BIBLE STORY

The Greatest Will Serve
(Matthew 20:20-28; Mark 10:35-45)

KEY POINTS

- Jesus taught His disciples (helpers) that He doesn't love one person more than another.
- Jesus served and helped people. He did not expect them to serve or help Him.
- Jesus taught that we should be willing to serve and think of others before ourselves.

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Matthew 20:20-28 (Retell in words preschoolers can understand.)

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- Who did Jesus say is the greatest? (People who serve others)
- How can you serve other people and show the love of Jesus to them?
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WAITING FOR THE KINGDOM

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1 John 3:22

BIBLE STORY

Showing God's Love by Helping Others
(Matthew 25:35-40)

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- Jesus wants us to help others, just as He did.
- Jesus said when we help others, it shows that we love Him.

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FAMILY READING

Matthew 25:35-40

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What are some ways in the story that the king said people helped him? (Fed him; gave him something to drink; clothed him, gave him a place to stay; took care of him)
- Who can you help and show that Jesus loves her?
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