



Have fun learning and playing
with your preschooler!

Activity

Around the Heart

What You Need:

Masking or painter's tape; *Optional piece of paper*

What You Do:

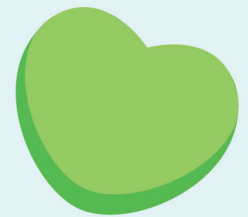
Use masking or painter's tape to create a large heart shape on the floor. (Or cut out a heart from paper and tape the heart to the floor.)

Say, "Let's play a game. I see a heart on the floor. (*Point.*) I'll call out a movement for us to do. Then I'll say, 'Jesus loves you,' and we will run into the heart."

"Are you ready? Pat your head (*pat your head*) . . . JESUS LOVES YOU! Run into the heart. (*Run to the heart.*) You did it! Let's do it again. (*Take several steps away from the heart.*) Jump up and down (*jump up and down*) . . . JESUS LOVES YOU! (*Run to the heart.*) Yay!"

(Continue with the following movements: touch toes, twist, star jump, stomp, crab walk, and bear crawl.)

Say, "Today in our Bible story, we heard how the disciples tried to send the children away, but Jesus told them to let the children come to Him. Jesus loves you and wants to be your friend forever. Jesus loves you! Who loves you? Jesus loves me!"



Bible Story

Jesus and the Children
(Luke 18:15-16)

Remember This

"How wide and long
and high and deep is
the love of Christ."
Luke 2:47, NIV

Say This

Who loves you?
Jesus loves me.

Prayer

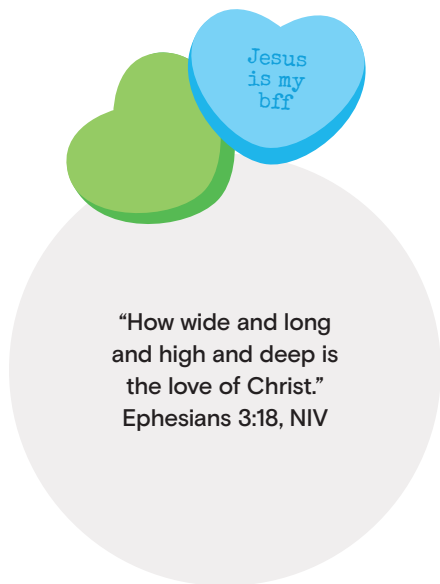
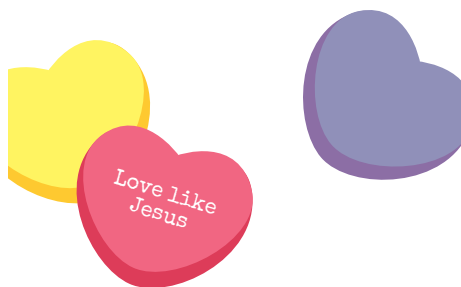
"Dear God, thank You for Jesus! Jesus told the disciples to let the children come near Him because He loved them. And we know that Jesus loves us, too! Thank You for sending Jesus to be our friend forever. It's in His name we pray, amen."

FEBRUARY
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Baby



Jesus wants to be my friend forever.



ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



Morning Time

When you go into your baby's room, pick them up and say: "Good morning, [baby's name]! It's a wonderful day because Jesus loves you and Jesus loves me!"



Feeding Time

While feeding your baby, give thanks for the way Jesus has been a friend to you, and also give thanks for the friends Jesus has brought into your life.



Cuddle Time

Cuddle with your baby and pray: "God, thank You for Jesus. The way Jesus helps, listens, serves, sacrifices...all that He does shows how much He loves us. I pray [baby's name] grows to believe in the amazing love of Jesus."



Bath Time

As you give your baby a bath, sing or play the song "Jesus Loves Me."

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Jesus loves you.

Bible Story

Mary and Martha

Luke 10:38-42

Martha becomes frustrated when her sister Mary chooses to listen to Jesus instead of helping her cook and clean.



ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



Morning Time

When you go into your child's room, say: "Good morning, [child's name]! It's a wonderful day because Jesus loves you and Jesus loves me!"



Drive Time

While on the go, take turns naming people Jesus loves. And because Jesus loves everyone, your list could get very long! Oh, and don't forget to name yourselves!



Cuddle Time

Cuddle with your child and pray: "God, thank You for Jesus. The way Jesus helps, listens, serves, sacrifices...all that He does shows how much He loves us. I pray [child's name] grows to believe in the amazing love of Jesus."



Bath Time

As you bathe your child, encourage them to sing along as you sing "Jesus Loves Me."

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Jesus loves me.



MEMORY VERSE

"How wide and long
and high and deep is
the love of Christ."
Ephesians 3:18, NIV

Bible Story

Jesus and the Children

Luke 18:15-16

When the disciples try to stop children from going to Jesus, Jesus says to let the children come to me.



Weekly Cues



Preschool

ENGAGE IN EVERYDAY MOMENTS TOGETHER



Morning Time

When you go into your child's room, say: "Good morning, [child's name]! Raise your hand if Jesus loves you. (*Raise your hand.*) Yes! Jesus loves YOU, and Jesus loves ME!"



Cuddle Time

Cuddle with your child and pray: "God, thank You for Jesus. The way Jesus helps, listens, serves, sacrifices...all that He does shows how much He loves us. I pray [child's name] grows to believe in the wonderful love of Jesus."



Drive Time

While on the go, count how many children you can name together. Talk about how Jesus loves all children and wants to be their friend forever.



Bath Time

Play the song "Jesus Loves Me" during bath time. Encourage your child to sing along with you!



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