



# **A Week Of**

# *Love*



**7 DAYS OF VALENTINE ACTIVITIES  
TEACHING GOD'S LOVE**



Love is the perfect lesson to teach your children this Valentine's Day season. In this time of love, teach your children about the greatest love of all – God's love. The Bible is filled with stories of God's great love. This Bible lesson teaches and entertains the children through songs, crafts, Bible verses, activities and more. The children will also learn God is love, how to love like God and how to share God's love with other people.



## Key Concepts

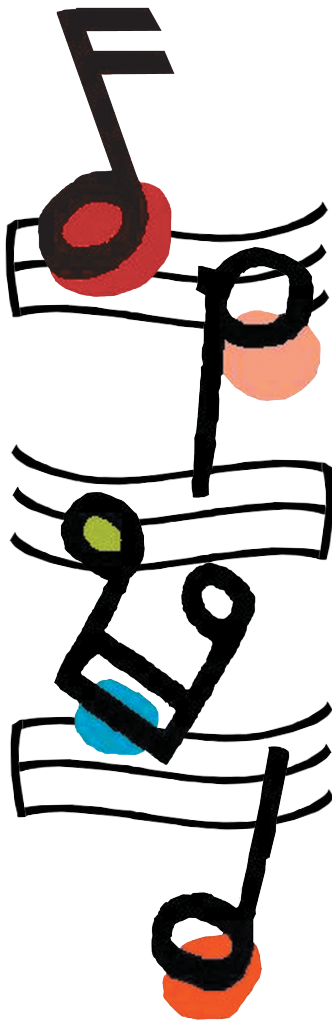
- God is love.
- We can learn how to love like God.
- We can share God's love with other people.

# SONG TIME!

In the Bible, God teaches us about His great love. We can show God we love Him by being faithful, thankful, keeping His commands and trusting in Him. The corresponding song for this week's lesson is "Praise Him, All Ye Little Children [God is Love]". You can do motions along with the song to keep the children engaged. If you know the song, you can sing it without the music click [HERE](#).



## **PRAISE HIM, ALL YE LITTLE CHILDREN [GOD IS LOVE]**



Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love;  
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love.

Love Him, love Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love;  
Love Him, love Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love.

Serve Him, thank Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love;  
Serve Him, thank Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love.

Thank Him, thank Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love;  
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Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children,  
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Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children,  
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# ACTIVITY TIME!

Here are some fun activities to do during the week or after church. Try a few or do them all! Coloring sheets and craft materials are included with some activities. Feel free to use the optional materials suggested or add your own favorite materials for even more fun. For more free activities visit: [www.bibletimefun.com/bible-activities](http://www.bibletimefun.com/bible-activities)

## ACTIVITY 1

### God Is My Valentine

God's love is so great that He made the ultimate sacrifice in order to save us. God proved His true love to us through salvation. In this activity, the children will see that our true Valentine is found in the word of God.

#### Bible Verse

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

#### Materials

- John 3:16 Valentine Heart template (Included)
- Red yarn
- Hole puncher

#### Directions

1. Punch out the holes and have the children weave the yarn around the outside of the heart. Help where necessary.
2. Explain to the children that this time of year people talk a lot about love. God is the perfect example of what love is.

#### After the Activity

Remind the children that God's love for us is shown in His word.







John 3:16

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# ACTIVITY 2

## “Love Is...” Mobile Craft

Love is a special word. It can be felt, seen and displayed. The many characteristics of love are the same characteristics of God. In this activity, the children will craft a reminder of what love is and see God’s unfailing love for us.

### Bible Verse

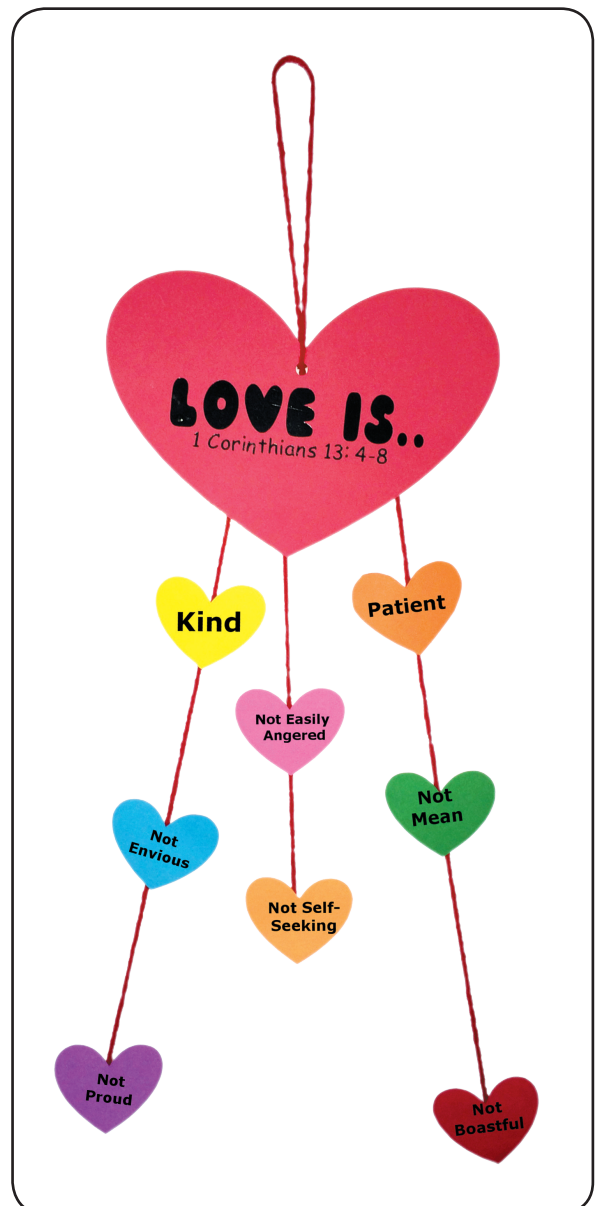
“Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.” (1 Corinthians 13:4-7)

### Materials

- Colored paper
- Scissors
- Marker
- Yarn
- Tape

### Directions

1. Cut one large and eight small heart shapes.
2. Write on the hearts as shown in the example.
3. Connect small hearts together using yarn on three separate strings.
4. Connect those strings to the larger heart.
5. Tie a string through the hole at the top of the craft.
6. Explain the different characteristics of love and what they mean.



### After the Activity

Remind the children that God’s love never fails.

# ACTIVITY 3

## Because He First Loved Us

We know love because God loved us first. When we know God, others can see His love shining through us. In this activity, the children will make a suncatcher to remind them that God shows us how to love.



### Bible Verse

"We love because he first loved us."  
(1 John 4:19)

### Materials

- Colored paper
- Tissue paper
- Transparent adhesive contact paper
- Yarn
- Hole Punch

### Directions

1. Make a heart shape with no center.
2. Peel the backing off of the contact paper and lay the heart cutout on top of the contact paper adhesive side up.
3. Have the children decorate the contact paper with tissue paper.
4. Make a hole at the top of the heart and string the yarn through the hole at the hole.
5. Talk to the children about how God shows us His love. We can show other people God's love by following His actions.

### After the Activity

Remind the children that God shows us how to love.



# ACTIVITY 4

## Spreading God's Love

God's love is contagious. The love that comes from God should be shared with others. This is a fun activity that shows how God's love can be spread to others.

### Bible Verse

"Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God." (1 John 4:7a)

### Materials

- Paper towel
- Ball point pen
- Red marker
- Cup with a small amount of water

### Directions

1. Draw a heart towards the bottom of the paper towel. Explain to the children that without God our hearts are empty.
2. Fill in the heart with red marker. Explain that when we accept Jesus into our heart, He fills us.
3. Draw some hearts above the first heart. Explain that there are other hearts in the world in need of love. God wants us to share the love He gave us with other people.
4. Place the bottom of the paper towel in the water. Explain that the water is God and when we are in Him, we are able to spread His love.
5. As the water is absorbed, you should see the red marker shifting up to the other hearts, filling them. Talk about how we can share love with other people. Discuss some practical ways, but emphasize that it must be through saturation in God, not of our own strength.



### After the Activity

Remind the children that we should spread God's love to everyone we meet.

# ACTIVITY 5

## Love in Action

God wants us to love through our actions, not just with words. There are many ways we can show love. In this activity, you will teach the children some ways they can put love into action. Talk to the children about how they can demonstrate to other people God's love.

### Bible Verse

"Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth."  
(1 John 3:18)

### Material

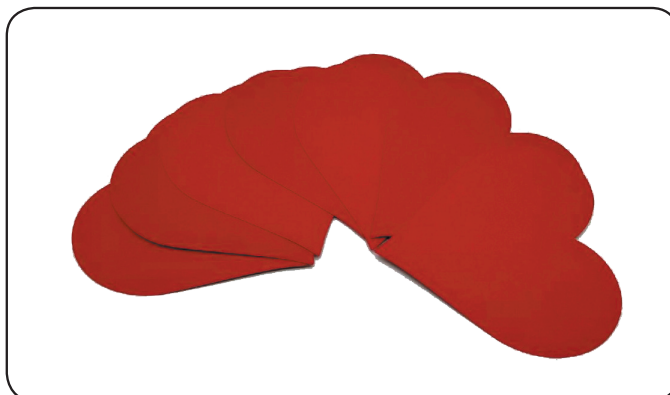
- "Acts of Love" list (see page 9)
- Colored paper
- Scissors
- Marker

### Directions

1. Read the "Acts of Love" list aloud. Explain the different things the children can do to show other people God's love in their actions.
2. Do some of the actions listed with the children, so they can see how to make someone happy. You can also come up with your own acts of love.
3. Let the children write down the acts of love they have performed on the red hearts. Display the hearts in your house, like the refrigerator.
4. Try more acts of love throughout the week.

### After the Activity

Remind the children that we can show other people who God is by demonstrating His love.





# ACTS OF LOVE

1. Say something nice to someone
2. Share with others
3. Play with someone new
4. Say "Sorry", if you do something wrong
5. Smile at someone
6. Hold the door for someone
7. Make a care package
8. Give someone a flower
9. Say "Hi" to someone
10. Write a nice letter
11. Give a hug
12. Color a picture for someone
13. Make a handmade gift
14. Leave a "Thank you" note
15. Give a compliment
16. Say "I love you"



# ACTIVITY 6

## Binding Love

Love brings people together, even if they have differences. It does not mean that people will be perfect and never make a mistake. Love looks past the imperfections and mistakes to keep us in perfect unity. This activity demonstrates how love binds us together.

### Bible Verse

"And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." (Colossians 3:14)

### Materials

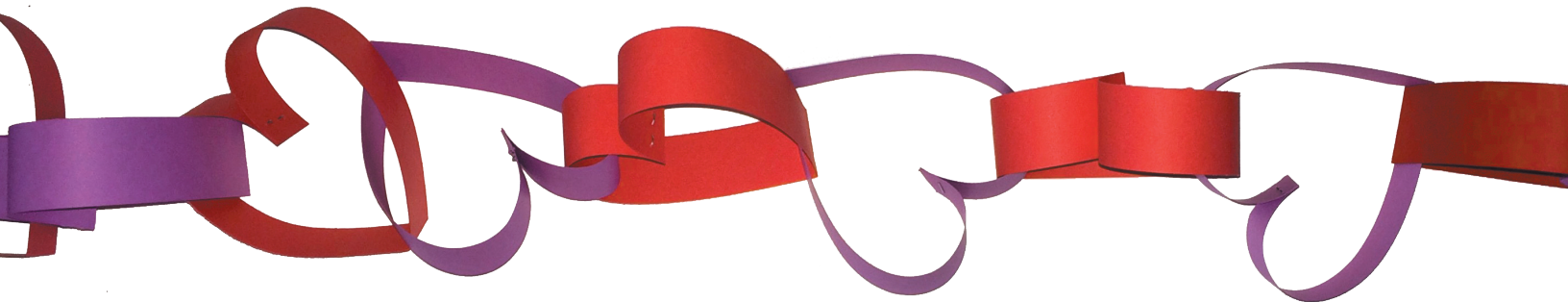
- Colored card stock cut into strips
- Scissors
- Stapler

### Directions

1. Using the paper strips, turn the open ends inward and staple to create the hearts.
2. Chain one onto the next and staple after connected.
3. Explain to the children how the different characteristics of love – like forgiveness, patience and kindness – can help bring us closer together. Talk about how love helps us to live in unity with one another and work together, despite our differences.

### After the Activity

Remind the children that God's love binds everything together.



# ACTIVITY 7

## God Is Love

If we know who God is, we will know what love is. God wants us to learn more and more about His amazing love. This activity will help the children explain their understanding of love.

### Bible Verse

"God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them." (1 John 4:16b)

### Material

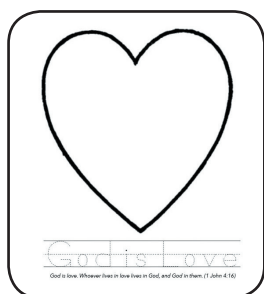
- "God Is Love" activity sheet (Included)

### Directions

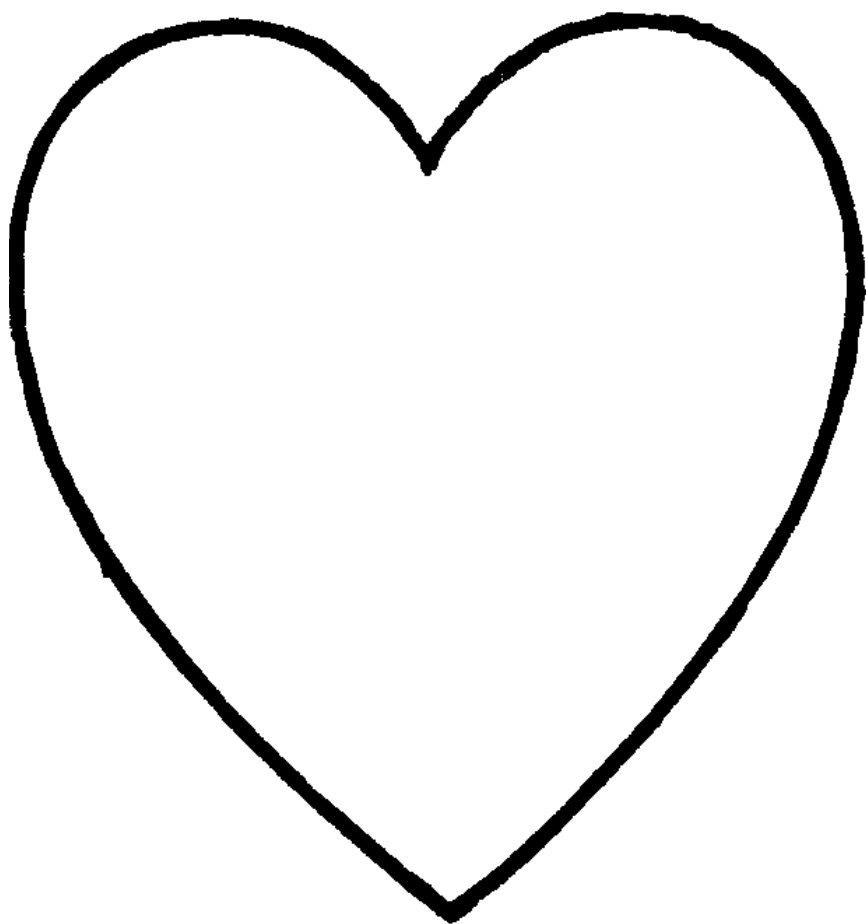
1. Have the children draw a picture of the people they love inside the heart using the "God Is Love" activity sheet. Ask the children what love means to them.
2. Have the children trace the important message of God's love at the bottom of the sheet.
3. Talk about some of the characteristics of God that show He is love (Like patience, forgiveness, mercifulness, etc). Explain that if we allow God to live in us, we will have these same loving characteristics of God.

### After the Activity

Remind the children that God is love.







God is Love

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**YOU ARE  
LOVED**