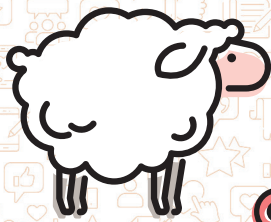


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about God.
(Mark 1:14)

Jesus Told About a Loving Father



ENJOY a Petting Zoo

Go to a petting zoo or line up toy animals on the floor. Pet the farm animals. Retell the Bible story (reverse side) while you pet the animals. Remind your child that eventually the son remembered he could go home because his father loved him. Tell your child you love her and God loves her.

PLAY with People Figures



Sit with your child and play with toy people figures. Show an adult male figure and at least one male child figure. Tell the Bible story (reverse side). Remark: "The father loved his sons very much. He was happy when his son came back home."



Babies

HUG Your Baby

Review the Bible story (reverse side). Hug your baby and talk about how happy the father was to see his son. Say: "The father hugged his son when he came home. He was so excited to see his son. God loves you like the father loved his son."

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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CONVERSATION

LIFE POINT

Jesus taught about God by telling parables and stories.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Jesus told a parable (story) about a father who was happy when his son returned home. We can learn about God by reading Jesus' parables in the Bible.



LIVE IT OUT

Write in large letters these words on a paper: *GOD LOVES ME*. Give your child some small blocks to stack on the letters. Read the words to him. Remind him that God loves him no matter what. Thank God for His love.



LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Jesus told people about God.



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Jesus Told About a Loving Father

BASED ON LUKE 15:11-32

Babies

Jesus told a story. A father had two sons. One son stayed at home to help his father. The other son took all he owned and left home. The father was sad.

After a long time the son came home. The father was happy.

The father said, "Let's celebrate. My son has come home!"



1s

Jesus told a story. A father had two sons. One son helped his father. The other son took all that was his and moved away. The father was sad.

After a long time the son who moved away ran out of money. He had to take a job feeding pigs and did not have enough to eat.

The son went home to see his father.

The father said, "Let's have a party. My son has come home!" The father was so happy. He loved both of his sons.

2s

Jesus told the people a story about a father and his two sons. One son stayed at home and helped his family. The other son packed all he owned and moved away. The father was sad when his son left.

The son who moved away spent all his money. He did not have food to eat or a good place to sleep. He worked on a farm feeding pigs. He was very hungry. He was sad and wanted to go home.

The son returned home. His father was happy that his son came home. The father said, "Let's have a party to celebrate! My son has come home!" The father loved both of his sons.

WEEKLY VERSE

Jesus taught people about God. Mark 1:14



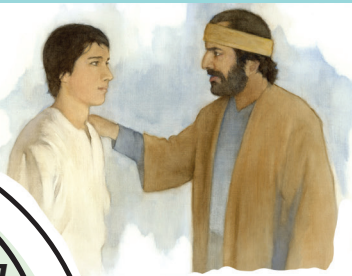
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Jesus Told About a Loving Father

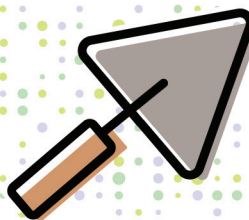
FOLLOW a Path

Jesus told a story about a son who left home and made wrong choices. Follow the path the son took to make his way back home to his loving father.



CELEBRATE!

In the story Jesus told, the son finally chose to return home. His father was so happy to see his son that he ran to meet him. Then the father threw a big party. **CIRCLE** things you might see at a party.



Jesus taught people about God.
Mark 1:14

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LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Jesus taught people what God is like.



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Jesus Told About a Loving Father

BASED ON LUKE 15:11-32

One day Jesus told a parable (story) about a father and his two sons.

Jesus said, "A man had two grown-up sons. The younger son told his father, 'Give me my share of the family money.'"

"The father was sad to hear this, but he divided the money and property between his two sons. The younger son packed up all his belongings and moved far away to another country. He began to make wrong choices and do many wrong things. After a while, the son had spent all his money."

"Soon the son had no food to eat or good clothes to wear. A man gave the son work to do. He took care of pigs. He was so hungry; he thought about eating the pigs' food!"

Jesus continued the story, "The son began to think about his home. He thought about his father. He remembered that his father's workers had plenty of food to eat. He decided to go home and work for his father."

"The son traveled back to his home. While he was still far away from the house, the father saw him. The father ran to the son. The father threw his arms around the son, hugging him and kissing him."

"The son said, 'Father, I have done wrong things. I should no longer be your son.'"

"The father called to his helpers: 'Quick! Bring the best robe for my son to wear. Bring a ring for his finger and sandals for his feet. We will cook a big dinner and celebrate because my son has come home.' The father was happy his son was home again."



WEEKLY VERSE JESUS TAUGHT PEOPLE ABOUT GOD. MARK 1:14



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Jesus Taught Through Parables

Which PARABLE?

Each of the verses listed are different parables Jesus talked about. Read them and draw a line to the symbol that best represents that parable.

Matthew
5:14-16

Luke
15:4-5

Matthew
5:13

Matthew
7:3-4



VERSE

I don't speak on my own authority. The Father who sent me has commanded me what to say and how to say it.

- John 12:49



What About

Parables?

Solve the unscrambled code and write out the sentence to see the main message from today's Bible story.

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CONVERSATION

LIFE POINT

Jesus taught about God through parables.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

In this Bible story, Jesus used stories, called parables, to focus on three things that were lost but then found. He taught all believers about God's love and joy when a sinner comes to Him.



LIVE IT OUT

Challenge your child to recall the parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son. Discuss what Jesus was teaching about God's love through these parables. As a family, celebrate God's love with party hats and treats.



LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Jesus taught about faith, trust, and obedience to God.



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Jesus Taught Through Parables

LUKE 15

Some religious leaders were upset that Jesus showed love to sinful people. "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them!" they said. So Jesus told three parables, or stories, to teach the people what God is like.

"Suppose you had one hundred sheep," Jesus began. "If you lost one of those sheep, wouldn't you leave the ninety-nine in the field and go out to search for the lost one? A good shepherd would find the lost sheep and tell his neighbors the good news that he found the lost sheep. I tell you, it is the same in heaven. There is so much joy in heaven when one sinner repents and turns back to God."

"Think about a woman who has ten silver coins," Jesus continued. "If she loses one coin, she will light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it. When she finds it, she will joyfully tell her friends the good news that she found her coin." Jesus said that there is great joy in heaven over a sinner who turns from his sin.

Jesus' third story was about a man with two sons. The younger son asked for money and left home. He spent all his money on foolish things. Soon, the son ran out of money and was hungry. He knew he sinned and decided to return home. He planned to ask his father to treat him like a servant instead of a son. When the father saw his son far off, he was filled with joy to see his son return home. The father ran, threw his arms around his son's neck, and kissed him. He prepared a celebration to welcome the son home.

The father said, "We must celebrate and rejoice. My son was lost, but he has been found!"

WEEKLY VERSE John 12:49



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AUGUST

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2 Ephesians 4:32	3 Romans 12:17	4 Matthew 6:12	5 Proverbs 17:9	6 Psalm 103:12	7 Matthew 6:15	8 Ephesians 1:7-8
9 James 5:16	10 Matthew 6:6	11 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18	12 1 Chronicles 16:11	13 Psalm 66:20	14 Matthew 6:9	15 Proverbs 15:8
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