

**Kidz World's
Church at Home
'REAL LOVE' – God Loves Everyone!**

FUN TIME: “God Hearts Everyone?”

What You Need: A large piece of paper or poster board, markers or crayons

What You Will Do: On a piece of paper, draw a heart in the middle and write "God" inside of the heart. One at a time, have each family member come up and also draw a heart with their name inside it. Then, draw a line connecting their heart to "God." Continue until everyone has had the opportunity to do this. After everyone has gone, start drawing lines connecting everyone's hearts to each other, too. Talk about how the kind of love God has shown us is unlike anything we could ever imagine. Plus, God makes it available for everyone!

BIBLE TIME:

Today, we're going to talk about God's love. It's real and it's for everyone. People use the word 'love' very loosely. They 'love' pizza, they 'love' their dog, they 'loved' that movie and they 'love' their family. It doesn't seem right that the same word is used for all these things *and* people. You know what, it isn't. We're going to see in our Bible story today what Jesus has to say about love.

READ: John 3:1-21

Familiarize yourself with the Bible passage and summarize it for your younger children. Read it with older children. For toddlers and preschoolers, simply share the answers to these questions with them as you summarize the Bible story. Keep it short and sweet for them



1. Who was Nicodemus?
2. What did Nicodemus learn from Jesus?
3. How did God show His love for us?
4. How do you usually show someone you love them?
5. What do you think is different about how God loves and the way people love?

REAL TIME: Real love starts with God. He is love and He loves everyone. Nicodemus was a leader who was respected by others. His job was to teach others about God. But, when he heard Jesus teaching, he discovered how much he really didn't know at all. Nicodemus thought God only loved a certain group of people, people like him. But when he visited Jesus, he found out that God loves everyone.

Read John 3:16-17. This verse shows us what real love is. According to this verse, we see that God showed His love by giving His Son for the whole world. Real love gives to others. It is not selfish. Real love is not based upon what you look like, how you behave or where you are from. God's love is for everyone! God's love is contagious too! God loves it when we spread His love to others because God's love isn't just for a select group of people. What's one way you can make God's love "contagious" to everyone around you this week?

PRAYER TIME: “Father God, thank You for loving us so much that You sent Jesus to save us all. Just like you helped Nicodemus, help us to understand your great love and to share it with everyone! In Jesus' Name, amen!”

*“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 (NIV)*

