

# PARENT CORNER

TODAY: FEB. 28 - MAR. 1

## weekly

**Bible Story:** The Prodigal Son *Luke 15:11-24*

**Big Idea:** Jesus loves

**Focus:** Jesus never stops loving

**Memory Verse:** "Just as the Father has loved me, I have loved you. Now remain in my love." *John 15:9*

### Bible Story Summary:

Read and meditate on **Luke 15:11-24, Psalm 136:1; Romans 8:38-39; John 3:16; 2 Peter 3:9.**

Jesus told a parable about a father and his two sons. The younger son asked for his inheritance early, left home and wasted all his money. When he was hungry and poor, he decided to return to his father and ask for forgiveness. The father saw him from a distance, ran to him and welcomed him back with love and celebration.

#### He Question: Can there be an end to God's love?

God is love. His love is not based on anything we do or don't do. It never ends and never gives up.

#### We Question: Does God care about people who are far from Him?

God loves every single person. He wants people who are far from Him to turn away from sin, return to Him and trust in Jesus as their Savior.

#### Me Question: How is God inviting me to respond?

Kids will be given the opportunity to reflect on the truth they learned about God and respond accordingly.

### Meal Time



After you eat, grab a Nerf gun and 2 darts. Standing back-to-back with your kid, each of you take a turn shooting the dart as far as you can in the opposite direction. Look at how far the darts are from each other. Talk about how at one time, we were all far from God. Ask if God cares for those who are far from Him. Remind them that God loves every single person, no matter how far they are from God, and He wants them to return to Him. Pray for someone you know that doesn't know Jesus, that they will come home to Him.

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## WEEK 1



## DAY 1

**READ** *John 15:9*

This verse is Jesus' words to His disciples. Read the verse and answer these questions:

In this verse, who loves Jesus?

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According to this verse, who loves you?

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Isn't it amazing to know that you are loved? And Jesus' love can never fail!

**PRACTICE** this memory verse as a reminder that Jesus loves.

## DAY 2

**READ** *Luke 15:11-24*

Jesus told this parable to show us that no matter what we do, and no matter how far we run, He will always love us.

Search for these words found in this story.

Prodigal  
Inheritance  
Wasteful  
Forgiveness  
Celebration

F H C P S C H T S H C C H P H C  
O A E A W S S E R A E E A R A E  
R O L I W A S T E F U L P L O B  
G K P K E A K T L K T E K T T L  
I R R R P V R B R R B B R B R I  
V F O F B V N R B F R R F R F H  
E S D S L N S T V S A A B L S N  
N N I N I T N L T N P T N T N V  
E L G L Y J L T I L V I L I L N  
S U A V L R N I O N T O N T R L  
S U L I N H E R I T A N C E N J

**KNOW** that Jesus loves you, just as the father in this story loved his son.



# DAY 3

READ Psalm 136:1

This verse reminds us that we should give thanks to the Lord because He will always love us.

Inside the heart, write your thanks to the Lord.



God will love you FOREVER! And His love will never fail you.

**BE THANKFUL** that Jesus loves.

## HEY PARENTS SIGN HERE!

Have a parent sign your completed GodTime.

Parent signature

Date

**Return for 5 Bible Bucks!**

## parent CUE:

We want to let you know that we have an amazing opportunity for you and your child. We are learning the importance of giving (tithing) in UpTown. For many years the kids in UpTown have been caring for children through Compassion International and Forgotten Children Worldwide. We are currently sponsoring a boy named John that lives in Tanzania and a girl named Akeelo that lives in Uganda.

Our support will provide John and Akeelo with:

- Food to combat malnutrition
- Health care and immunizations
- Education and income generating skills
- The Gospel message and spiritual guidance
- The love and support of the church staff

Every week during Studio24 and Clubhouse, your child will have the chance to give an offering to help sponsor John and Akeelo. We pray that you will partner with us in this. Learning to have a heart of generosity will help your child grow to have a heart like Jesus.

# DAY 4

READ Romans 8:38-39

Circle which places or things are mentioned in these verses.

LOW PLACES    LIFE    POWERS    DEMONS  
 DEATH    ANGELS    HIGH PLACES

Did you circle them all? This verse is telling us there is no where you can go and nothing you can do that will stop God from loving you. And His love is in Jesus.

**PRAY** and thank Jesus that He loves you.

## at a GLANCE



### Bibles-N-Bucks Shopping

- March 7-8      2nd Grade
- March 14-15    1st Grade
- March 21-22    Kindergarten
- March 28-29    4th Grade
- April 11-12     3rd Grade

### Ways to Earn Bible Bucks

- Bring a friend ..... 1 Buck
- Bring your Bible ..... 1 Buck
- Recite Bible Verse .. 1 Buck
- Do your GodTime ... 5 Bucks
- UpTown Challenge . 20 Bucks



Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_