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For God's Little Children

At church, Pastor Jones talked about showing love to others. After church, Debbie and Leo ran into the house. They could not wait to see Mama. "Slow down!" said Grandma. "Mama might still be sleeping." The twins stopped. They did not want to wake her. They knew Mama needed to rest. She worked late at night. She couldn't go to church with them. "We should be very quiet," Debbie said. "Yes, we should," said Leo, "because we love Mama." Later, they made Mama a special lunch.



"Submit to one another out of [love] for Christ"
(Ephesians 5:21, NIV).

All About Love



Paul wrote a letter to the church in the city of Ephesus to tell the believers how to live and love like Jesus. Here's what he said.

Dear Church,

Put other people before yourself. If you are married, you should treat your husband or wife with love and servanthood. Wives should put their husbands first and follow

their leadership. Husbands should love their wives just like Jesus loves us—giving themselves for their wives, loving their wives as they love themselves. Children should obey their parents, just like God commanded. When you honor your parents you will have a good and long life. Fathers should love and teach their children how to love Jesus and other people.

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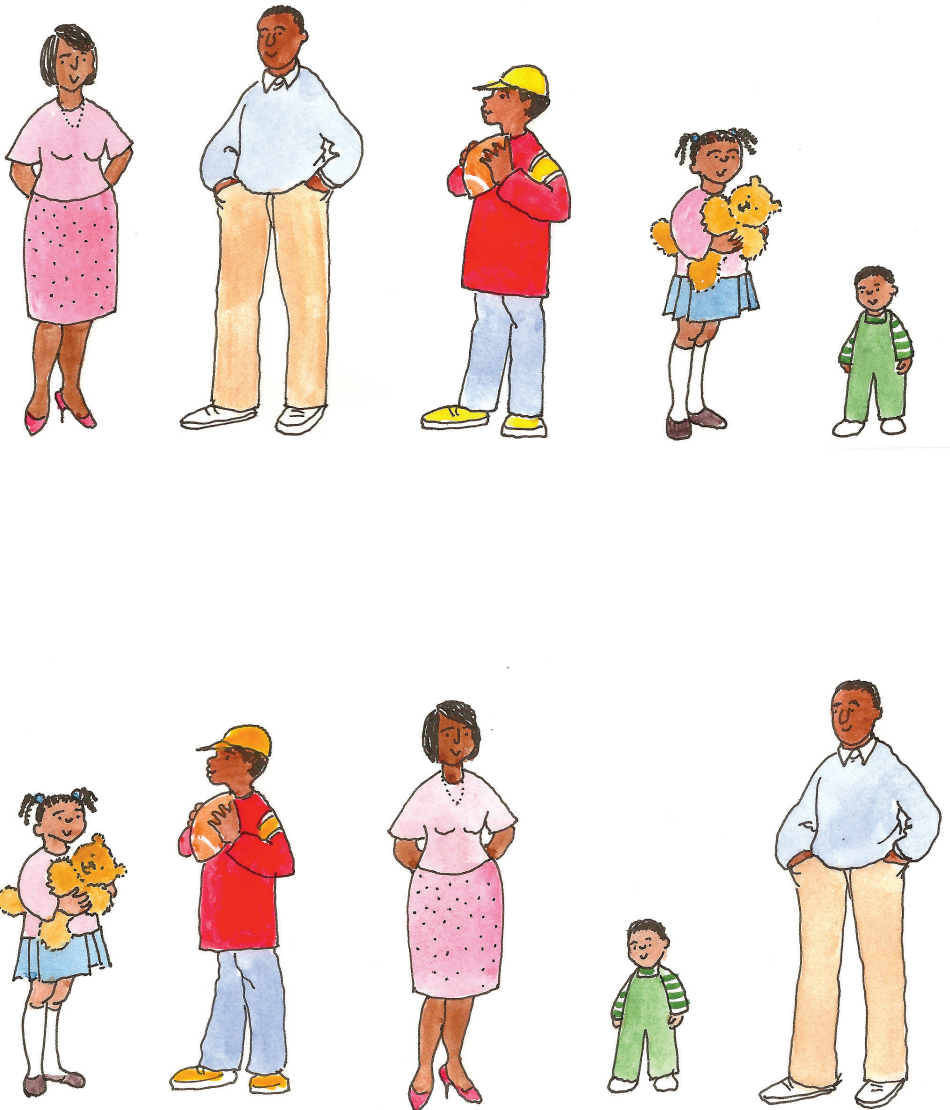
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We're All Loved

Draw lines to match the family members that are the same.



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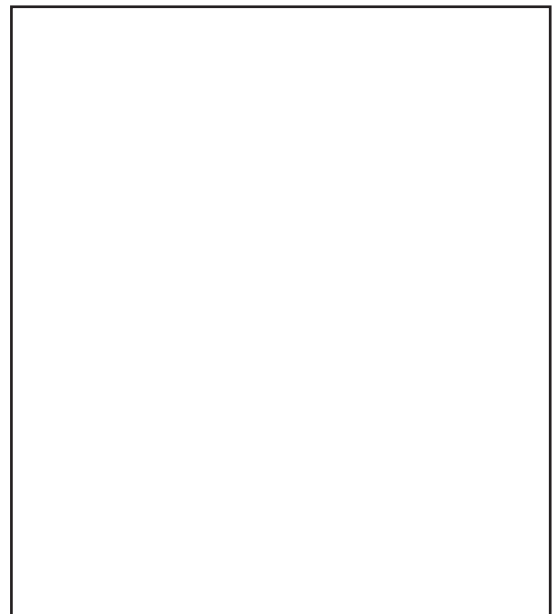
"Love one another as [the Father] commanded us"
(from 1 John 3:23, NIV).

Your preschooler learned today that God loves us very much. They also learned that God instructed us to love each other. Help your child find ways to show love to all the people in their life this week.

GROWING

We Can Love One Another!

Color the pictures of children showing love to family members. What can you do to show love to your family this week? Draw a picture in the box.



Name _____

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"Tell Mommy and Daddy," Grandpa said.

"Okay," said Kim. "Bye, Grandpa." Kim hung up the phone. She felt proud. Her mom came into the room.

"Did you finish speaking with Grandpa?"

Kim smiled. "Yes. And I took a message."

Mom smiled. "That's nice, dear."

Kim nodded. "I really took a message."

Daddy walked into the room. "Who was on the phone?"

"Grandpa," Kim said.

"What did he say?" Daddy asked.

"He's coming to see me on Saturday!" Kim yelled. "Hurray!"



*“Christ is preached. And because of this I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice”
(from Philippians 1:18, NIV).*

Jesus is the Message



Paul loved God very much. He traveled around the world and told people about Jesus. He wanted everyone to know that Jesus loves them.

There were some people who didn't like the way Paul always talked about Jesus, so they put Paul in jail. They thought this would stop Paul from talking about Jesus—but he didn't.

Some of the people who didn't like Paul tried to get him in even more trouble. They decided to tell other people about Jesus to get attention, not to be helpful. Paul's friends were worried, so they told Paul. They thought Paul would either be sad or mad, but Paul was very glad.

He said, “I don't care if I get in more trouble. I care that more people are learning about Jesus.” The most important thing to him was that everyone got a chance to hear about Jesus.

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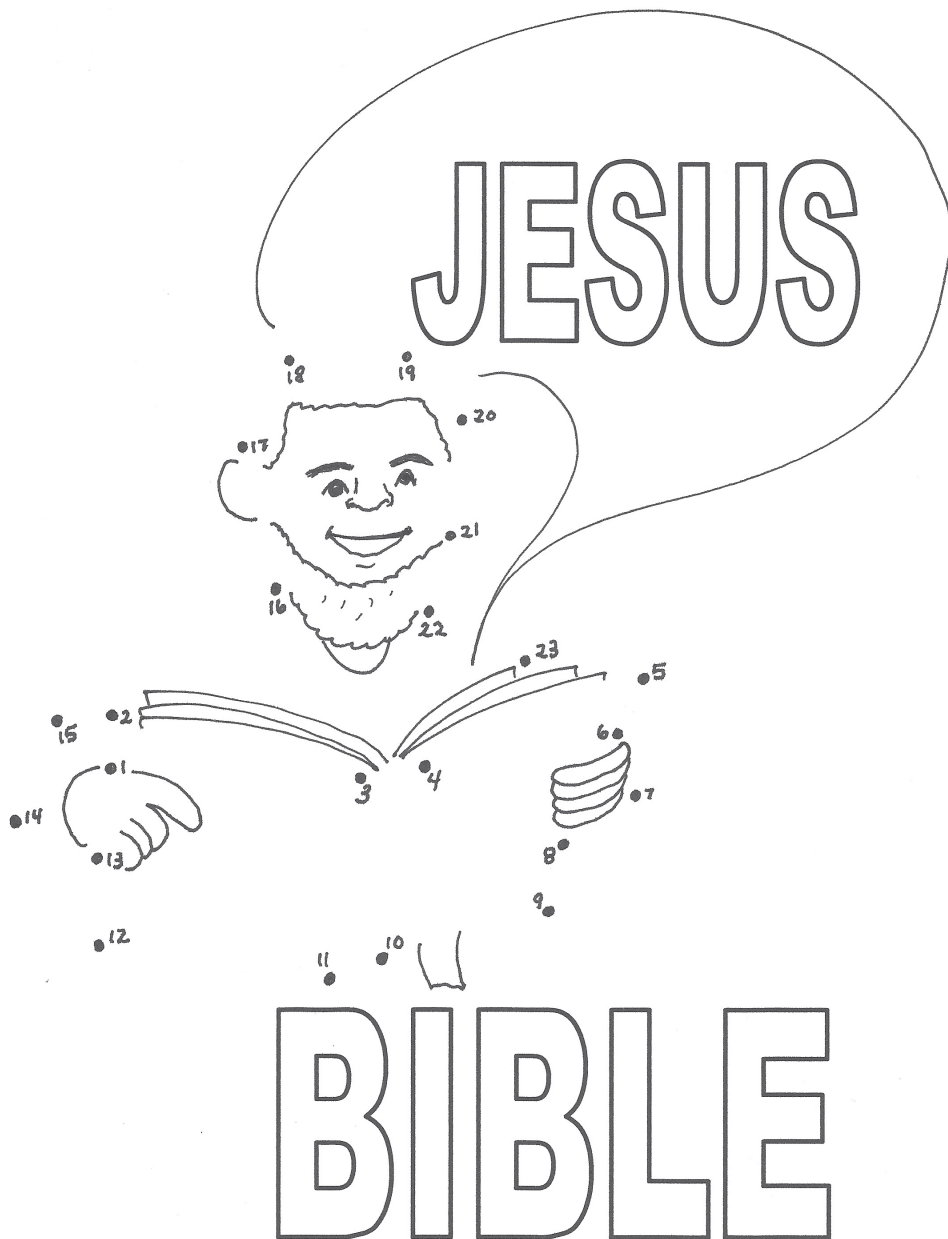
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Good News about Jesus

Connect the dots to see whom Paul preached about. Then color the Bible and the words "Jesus" and "Bible." Circle the word "Bible."



Memory Verse:

"Through the power of the Spirit, I have fully proclaimed the gospel of Christ"
(from Romans 15:19, NIV).

Today preschoolers learned that the Bible is God's Word. Help your preschooler understand why it's important to share God's Word with others.

GROWING

Sharing the Message of Jesus

Circle the people who are sharing the message of Jesus. Draw an "X" over the people who *are not* sharing the message of Jesus. Who can you share the message of Jesus with this week? Write their name.



"I can share the message of Jesus
with _____ this week."

Name _____