

## **February Chapel/Jesus Time Bible Lessons**



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Greeting Parents,

Each month you will now receive a chapel curriculum. There will also be opportunities for parents to volunteer during more intricate activities and lessons. Below you will find the weekly bible lessons for the month of February. With these lessons we are teaching the children all about God's everlasting LOVE for us!

**The Bible teaches us that love is at the center of the Christian faith. In its writings, we are told:**

- **To love God and our neighbor is the greatest commandment (Matthew 22:36-40)**
- **Without love our actions have no value (1 Corinthians 13:1)**
- **God, himself, is love. (1 John 4:8)**

### **February 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> - The Prodigal Son – A Father's Love**

Summary (Luke 15:11–32): This parable, also known as the Parable of the Lost Son, tells the story of a foolish man who rejects his father and squanders his inheritance. Desperate, the Prodigal Son returns home in shame. But on his journey home the son is met by his father who lovingly wraps his arms around him overjoyed that his son has returned!

Application: This kids Bible story about love gives an incredible picture of our Father's love for us. His love is forgiving, compassionate, and determined. Even when we sin, he waits for us with open arms and an open heart.

### **February 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> – Baby Moses- A Mother's Love**

Summary (Exodus 2:1-10): After the years of Joseph, a new Pharaoh commanded that all the baby boys born to the Hebrews be thrown into the Nile and drowned. Desperate to save her baby, a mother named Jochebed fashioned a basket for her child and sent it down the Nile River. Through Jochebed's act of love and courage the basket was found by an Egyptian princess who raised the child as her own. Baby Moses would grow up to be one of the greatest figures in Israel's history the one God would use to deliver his people from slavery!

Application: Raising a child is a parent's greatest responsibility. While we love our children in many ways, our greatest act of love will be entrusting their life to the Lord. This kind of love requires great courage and faith, both are exemplified by Moses' mother.

### **February 21<sup>st</sup> & Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>- Ruth and Naomi – Faithful Love**

Summary (The Book of Ruth): This kids Bible story centers one of the great accounts of love and friendship recorded in the Bible. When the sons of Naomi pass away, she is convinced there is

nothing but bitterness. But her daughter-in-law Ruth stands by her side, and they travel back to Naomi's homeland. There Ruth finds a new life, a new land, and a new love.

Application: As Jesus teaches true love goes the extra mile for another. In this story, Ruth faithfully stands by Naomi through chaos and calamity. Her faithful love is an incredible example to us all.

### **February 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>- The Good Samaritan: Neighborly Love**

Summary (Luke 10:25-37): This beloved story is the response of Jesus to the self-serving question of a lawyer. Who is my neighbor? Jesus answered by telling the story of a man left for dead and then rescued by a Samaritan. The point, according to Jesus, is that a true neighbor is anyone who shows mercy. In this story Jesus breaks the idea of love out of a rigid commandment and illustrates how it operates practically.

Application: Love is not theoretical, something only to be pondered or written about. Instead, love is an action. It rushes to those in need, swoops them up, and brings them life!

Grace and Peace,

Ms. Kisha