



At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3  
Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus  
Unit 2, Lesson 8

## Jesus and Nicodemus

Lesson Aim: To know God loves the world.

### THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

#### CENTERS

- COLORING CENTER: Jesus and Nicodemus
- PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: God Gives You All You Need
- DISCOVERY CENTER: Jesus Loves You
- BLOCK CENTER: God's Love Is So Big

### THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO SERVES

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to the King who serves. That means He gives us what we need. What we need most of all is love: God's big love. Let's pray and thank God for loving us. Have the children bow their heads and close their eyes. **Dear God, We love You so much. Your love for us is so big we can't even imagine it. Thank You for loving us forever. Amen.**

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

**OFFERING:** Collect the offering.

**WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION:** *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE:** Practice Bible Memory Verse with motions.

### THE WORD GOD LOVES THE WORLD CLASSROOM PROMISE

Hold up globe. **This is a globe. We use globes to see what our world looks like. Let's see if we can find where we live on our globe.** Find and point to your location. **Does God love all the people who live in your location?** (Yes.) **Let's find another spot on the globe.** Point out a few countries or continents in the world. Each time ask the children, **"Does God love all the people in point to several countries or continents?" Does God love all the people in the**

**world?** (Yes.) Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to John 3:16a.

### **WATCH THE WORD: JOHN 3:1-5, 16**

Read poem. Display visual.

- **There once was a man named Nicodemus.**
- **He came at night to talk to Jesus.**
- **He said, "You come from God, we know,**
- **Because that is what your miracles show."**
- **Jesus taught him about a brand new start,**
- **That comes when Jesus is in our heart.**
- **Jesus said, "God so loved everyone**
- **That He sent His One and only Son."**
- **Whoever believes in Jesus,**
- **Will live forever with Him.**
- **Believers start a brand new life,**
- **As if we were born again.**

**Who does God love?** (The world and you.) **God loves the whole world so much He sent His Son to us. Who is God's Son?** (Jesus!)

### THE WAY GOD LOVES YOU

**CRAFT:** God's Love Ruler

**GAMES:** Measure of Love, Jesus Loves Me

**SNACK:** Moonlight Snack

#### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES**

- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE
- PRAY
- PLAY
- DISMISSAL (Coloring page, craft, Ponder, Pray & Play)

### GOT TIME?

**SAY & DO:** John 3:1-5, 16

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** His Love Endures Forever, Circle of Love

**STORY TIME**