



At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts–Revelation
Unit 5, Lesson 22

A Letter About Love

Lesson Aim: To learn to love one another.

THE WELCOME MAILBOX

CENTERS

- COLORING CENTER: A Letter About Love
- PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: God's Love for Us
- BALL CENTER: Who Does God Love?
- LETTER GAMES

THE WORSHIP THE SPIRIT WHO GUIDES US

Today, we will learn God wants us to love others. One way we can do that is by welcoming each other to Praise Time. Name each child and lead the class in saying, "Welcome child's name."

Now, let's bow our heads and talk to God in prayer. Have the children bow their heads and close their eyes. Dear God, thank You for teaching us about love. Help us to remember to show our love to You and to others. 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 the motions. "With God all things are possible." Matthew 19:26b

THE WORD JOHN'S LETTER SAYS, "LOVE ONE ANOTHER" CLASSROOM PROMISE

Toss ball with children. Beach balls are fun, aren't they? What games can you play with a beach ball? What can you tell me about this ball? There's no beginning or end to a ball, is there? It just goes round and round. God's love is like this ball. God has always loved us and He always will—there's no beginning and no end to His love.

God wants our love to be like this ball, too. What did we do with it when we started? (Tossed ball, shared.) God wants us to share our love with others just like we shared the ball. How can you share your love with someone? (Hug, share, help them, etc.)

This week, we will begin reading some special letters from the Bible. These letters were written by people who love Jesus. Who would like to open the Special Delivery Mailbox for this week's letter? Child opens mailbox and gives Bible to you. Today's letter was written by Jesus' friend John. We can read it in 1 John 4:7a, 12. Each time you hear the word "love," I want you to give yourself a hug. Ready?

WATCH THE WORD: 1 JOHN 4:7a, 12

Read the letter. Display visual.

Dear friends,
Let us love one another, for love comes from God. No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and His love is made complete in us.
Love, John

Where does love come from? (God.) Who should we love? (One another.) Let's ask God to help us to love others. Dear God, thank You for always loving us and allowing us to share that love with everyone we meet. Amen.

THE WAY WE CAN LOVE ONE ANOTHER

CRAFT: Love Necklace

GAMES: Share His Love; Jesus Loves You!

SNACK: Hearts of Love

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

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

GOT TIME?

LETTER GAMES

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Circle Verse, Bible Memory Verse Hop

STORY TIME