

PRESCHOOL | AT-HOME ACTIVITIES WEEK OF MARCH 29th, 2020

Bible Story Focus | When I follow Jesus, I can love everyone | Love One Another, John 13:34-35 Memory Verse | "'Come and follow me,' Jesus said." Matthew 4:19, NIrV Key Question | Who can you follow? Bottom Line | I can follow Jesus. Basic Truth | Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

After watching the worship and Bible story video together, have fun with your preschooler while doing the following activities that reinforce this month's Bottom Line. If you have other kids at home, you can get the whole family involved! Download the *Parent Cue App* for additional activities and conversations for engaging with your child throughout the week.

HEART PASS

What You Need: Heart-shaped pillow, cutout, or similar

- What You Do: Pass the heart pillow back and forth as you say the memory verse. Repeat several times. You can also turn on music and play hot potato.
- **What You Say:** "We can follow Jesus by loving one another. We have a heart that we can pass. A heart reminds me of love. It can remind us that we can follow Jesus by loving one another. Let's say our memory verse as we pass the pillow. (*do activity*)

"Our memory verse tells us that we can follow Jesus. We can follow Jesus by loving one another. Who can you follow? [Bottom Line] I can follow Jesus!"

BASKETS OF LOVE

- What You Need: Four boxes/baskets (on each, draw a picture or write the name/title of someone your child could show love to, such as sibling, grandparents, mail carrier, police officer, etc.); red items from around your house
- What You Do: Set the baskets in the four corners of your activity area. Scatter the red objects around. Encourage your child to gather the red objects (to represent "love") and place them in one of the baskets. Talk about each picture and how we can show love to that person.
- What You Say: "In our Bible story today, we learned that Jesus loves everyone! And when we follow Him, we can love everyone, too. There are SO many people all around us that need love! We can show love to them every day. Do you see the pom-poms/tissue paper scattered around the room? They represent love! Let's pick them up and put them into one of the baskets. You can choose any basket you wish. Do you see the pictures on each basket? Let's look at each picture and you tell me how we could show love to that person! (*do activity*)

"You have SO many great ideas for showing love to others! I want to follow Jesus every day and show love to everyone, too. Jesus is the BEST leader to follow for sure. Tell me: **Who can you follow?** [Bottom Line] I can follow Jesus."

HEART CUTOUT

What You Need: Paper folded in half with half of a heart drawn on it; scissors; crayons

- What You Do: Instruct the kids to cut on the outline of the heart. Help him/her unfold their cutout to reveal the heart. Optional: Use the cutouts to create encouraging cards for siblings, neighbors, etc.
- **What You Say:** "We are going to practice our cutting. Use the scissors to cut on the line. (*do activity*)

"Let's unfold the cutout and see what it is! A heart is about love. Jesus wants us to follow Him and love one another! **Who can you follow?** [Bottom Line] I can follow Jesus."

FOLLOW ME

- What You Need: Bandana, blindfold, or similar; objects around your house to create an obstacle course
- What You Do: Tie the bandana around your child's eyes as a blindfold. Hold their hands and carefully lead them around the obstacle course. Switch roles and let your child guide you.
- What You Say: "Let's take turns leading and following by working together to make it through this obstacle course blindfolded! (*do activity*)

"You did an awesome job leading AND following. Who is the BEST leader to follow? Yes, Jesus! **Who can you follow?** [Bottom Line] I can follow Jesus."