

Exploring God's Love (K4)

SCOPE & SEQUENCE

Lesson	Bible Topic/Text	Developmental Activities	Target Truths	Scripture Memory
1	The Creation Genesis 1:1-25; John 14:31; 17:24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coloring Tracing numbers Making animal noises Taking a nature walk Putting things in their proper places 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God doesn't need anything to be happy. God made everything out of nothing. God made everything just right. 	Creation Genesis 1:1
2	The Sin of Adam and Eve Genesis 1:26-3:7; 1 Timothy 6:17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pasting Finding hidden objects Sharing family photos Retelling the story Role-playing obedience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God created people to share in His love. God wants us to put Him first. God calls disobedience sin. 	Obedience John 14:15
3	The Consequences of the Fall Genesis 3:7-24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following a path Differentiating between types of reminders Role-playing right and wrong responses Tending a garden 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God seeks His sinful children. God disciplines His sinful children. God rescues His sinful children. 	Discipline Proverbs 3:12a
4	The Flood Genesis 5:1-32; 6:5-9:17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawing Matching colors Learning about names Making a thunderstorm Creating a family tree 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God shows love in spite of sin. God shows love by delivering people from sin. God shows love by keeping His promises. 	Sin Romans 3:23
5	The Tower of Babel and Call of Abraham Genesis 11:1-9; 27:12-5; 15:1-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracing numbers Sequencing Comparing perspectives Reenacting the story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sinners don't naturally seek or desire God's help. Sinners cannot mess up God's plan. Sinners are objects of God's love. 	Substitution Romans 5:8
6	The Life of Isaac Genesis 12:7-8; 21:1-22:14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completing a maze Finding hidden objects Giving an offering Making a collage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God gives good gifts to His children. God commands us to love Him more than His good gifts. God gave Jesus, His Son, as the best gift of all. 	Giving Proverbs 22:9a
7	The Life of Jacob Genesis 25:19-34; 27:1-45; 30:43-31:3; 32:1-33:4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connecting the dots Sequencing Making wise choices Practicing endurance Reenacting the story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You cannot trick God out of His loving plan. You cannot run away from God's love. You cannot do anything to earn God's love. 	Consequences Proverbs 13:15b
8	The Life of Joseph Genesis 37:1-28; 41:56-45:11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cutting and pasting Differentiating between kindness and unkindness Designing a special coat Illustrating a famine Role-playing forgiveness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God is in charge even when people do wrong. God is in charge of every detail in the world. God is in charge of His salvation plan. 	Sovereignty Romans 8:28a
9	The Exodus from Egypt Exodus 1:6-11; 3:1-4:17; 5:1-2; 7:1-12:32; 14:5-30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crossing out things that don't belong Drawing Illustrating Jacob's growing family Retelling the story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God never forgets His people. God fights to protect His people. God's rescue always succeeds. 	Tender-heartedness Proverbs 28:14b

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10	The Israelites at Mount Sinai Exodus 19:1-20:19; 24:1-11; 25:8-9; 29:36-46	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completing a maze Differentiating between obedience and disobedience Meeting in a special tent Hunting for treasure Making a placemat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God's holiness makes Him unapproachable by sinners. God forgives sin through a Sacrifice. Forgiven sinners can enjoy fellowship with God. 	Fellowship 1 Peter 3:18a
11	The Golden Calf Exodus 32:1-34:28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matching shapes Cutting and pasting Illustrating concept of overflowing Identifying idols Writing in stone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only God is to be worshipped, not idols. God's people desperately need His presence. God loves to show mercy. 	Worship Exodus 20:3
12	The Bronze Serpent Exodus 13:21-22; 16:1-18; Numbers 13:1-14:31; 20:1-13; 21:4-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Writing numbers Coloring by number Reenacting the story Playing Follow the Leader Practicing gratitude instead of complaining 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God is more powerful than anything that may scare us. God takes care of His people—even when they sin. God forgives people who trust in His promises. 	Safety Proverbs 29:25b
13	The Conquest of Canaan Joshua 1:1-5; 2:1-24; 5:13-6:20; Judges 6:1-7:22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracing a word Identifying colors Completing a secret mission Participating in the story Discussing God's gift of forgiveness 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God doesn't need our help to accomplish His work. God wants us to trust and obey Him. God alone is powerful to save us. 	Grace Ephesians 2:8
14	The Battle of David and Goliath 1 Samuel 8:19-222; 17:1-52	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connecting the dots Sequencing Reenacting the story Comparing different types of stones Reviewing past stories 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God's people must be rescued by Him. God prepares rescuers for His people. God fights to rescue His people. 	Rescue Psalm 143:9
15	The Reigns of David and Solomon 2 Samuel 7:1-29; 1 Kings 3:3-15; 4:29-5:6; 10:1-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cutting and pasting Coloring Using a magnifying glass Participating in the story Making a thumbprint caravan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God's promises are undeserved. God provides the humble with wisdom. God keeps His Word to bless all the nations of the world. 	Light Matthew 5:14a
16	The Ministry of Elijah 1 Kings 11:4-6; 34-39; 16:29-17:1; 18:17-39	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tracing words Numbering and counting Having a contest Reenacting the story Making a rain gauge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God is a jealous God. False gods have no true power. Only the real God answers prayer. 	Prayer Psalm 86:7
17	The Ministry of Jonah 1 Kings 14:23-26; Jonah 1:1-4:11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matching Completing a maze Identifying opposites Retelling the story with Play-doh 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God wants all people to repent. God pursues His people who disobey. God wants His people to love their enemies. 	Peace-making Proverbs 10:12
18	The Three Hebrew Children 1 Chronicles 9:1; Daniel 3:1-30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connecting the dots Numbering and counting Finding hidden pictures Playing a game with music Making a class collage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God is God wherever you live. God gives us courage to do what's right. God can protect you wherever you are. 	Courage Proverbs 1:10
19	The Return from Exile Ezra 1:1-8; 2:64-6:15; Psalm 137; Jeremiah 23:1-8; 30:8-23; Haggai 2:1-9; Malachi 1:1-4:6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying colors Matching shapes Building a foundation Reenacting the story Writing a class letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God never forgets His people. God always keeps His promises. God is in complete control. 	Diligence Ecclesiastes 9:10a
20	Jesus' Birth Luke 1:26-36; 2:1-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cutting and pasting Gluing glitter Sharing good news Reenacting the story Making a class newspaper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus, the Messiah, was sent by God the Father. Jesus, the Messiah, brings great rejoicing. Jesus, the Messiah, came to save sinners. 	Humility Philippians 2:3b

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21	The Wise Men Matthew 2:1-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completing a maze • Making a scroll • Searching for a star • Finding a different route • Making a map 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus, the Messiah, was born King. • Jesus' birth perfectly fulfilled God's plan. • As King, Jesus is worthy of worship. 	Adoration Philippians 2:11
22	Jesus' Baptism and Temptation Matthew 3: 1-17; 4:1-11; Luke 3:1-18, 21-23; 4:1-13; John 1:29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matching • Differentiating between right and wrong choices • Sharing photos of growth • Resisting temptation • Reading a map 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone needs to repent. • Jesus didn't need to repent. • Jesus resisted temptation. 	Resisting Temptation James 4:7
23	Jesus' First Miracle and Conversation with Nicodemus John 2:1-11; 3:1-18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Counting and numbering • Putting together a puzzle • Studying a globe • Having a celebration • Making collages 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus works a miracle of real joy. • Jesus offers the miracle of new life. • Jesus brings the miracle of forgiveness. 	Salvation John 3:16
24	Jesus Calls His Disciples Matthew 9:9; Luke 5:1-11; 6:13-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sequencing • Connecting the dots • Leaving something to follow Jesus • Reenacting the story • Making fish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus' power changes doubters into believers. • Jesus' power changes sinners into followers. • Jesus' power changes enemies into friends. 	Kindness Ephesians 4:32a
25	Jesus Heals Many People Mark 1:29-45; 2:1-12 Luke 4:38-44; 5:12-26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracing words • Following the path • Participating in the story • Encouraging others • Making a class prayer journal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus shows love for God and people. • Jesus reveals His power to heal. • Jesus has the power to forgive sins. 	Happiness Psalm 32:1a
26	Jesus Sets Things Right Mark 4:35-41; 5:21-43; Luke 8:22-25; 40-56	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coloring by number • Finding hidden objects • Completing a seemingly impossible task with help • Retelling the story with Play-doh • Creating a class bulletin board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus helps people who are afraid. • Jesus is never too busy to help. • Jesus helps us hope when we want to give up. 	Trust Psalm 56:3
27	Jesus Heals on the Sabbath Matthew 12:1-14; Mark 2:23-3:6; Luke 6:1-11; John 9:1-41	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracing the dots • Cutting and pasting • Learning about the Sabbath • Making a collage • Working with doubles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God gave rules to help people. • Jesus wants us to love people more than rules. • Jesus can heal spiritual blindness. 	Spiritual Sight Psalm 119:18
28	Loving People/ The Good Samaritan Luke 10:25-37	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracing words • Making a book • Participating in the story • Acting like good neighbors • Creating a "Who is my neighbor?" bulletin board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loving God and loving people are God's most important rules. • Obedience without love is sin. • True love loves everyone. 	Loving People Matthew 22:39b
29	Loving God/Mary and Martha Matthew 7:7-11; Luke 10:38-42; 11:1-4, 9-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matching • Crossing out things that don't belong • Reenacting the story • Making a good gift • Learning the Lord's Prayer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listening to Jesus shows love for God. • Loving God is more important than loving people. • We pray in response to God's love for us. 	Loving God Matthew 22:37
30	Jesus Ministers to All People Matthew 8: 5-13; Luke 5:27-32; 7:36-50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finding hidden objects • Sequencing • Reflecting on Jesus' authority • Making a class poster with one hundred objects • Creating a "Thank You for Forgiveness" bulletin board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus welcomes sinners. • Jesus ministers to all people. • Jesus' forgiveness motivates thankfulness. 	Help Psalm 69:33a

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31	Jesus Is the Bread of Life John 6:1-15; 22-71	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counting Completing a maze Following specific directions Creating a weaving pattern Reenacting the story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus uses little things to accomplish His great plans. Jesus is the Bread of Life. Jesus guards His children's hearts. 	Spiritual Nourishment John 6:48
32	Jesus' Transfiguration Matthew 17:1-9; Luke 9:28-36	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cutting and pasting Drawing Observing the transformation of ice into water Transforming the appearance of something 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus reveals His glory. God's plan focuses on Jesus. Jesus treats people lovingly. 	Glory John 1:14b
33	Jesus Predicts His Death Matthew 16:21-23; Mark 8:31-33; 9:30-32; 10:32-45; Luke 9:22; 18:31-34; John 12:24-26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Differentiating between selfishness and serving Counting Watching seeds grow Listening to the "Good Shepherd" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus lived to die. Jesus came to serve. Jesus wants us to serve. 	Following John 10:27
34	Jesus Tells the Story of the Prodigal Son Luke 15:1-2, 11-32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completing a maze Color by letter Dividing objects in half Reenacting the story 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God sometimes lets us have our own way. God loves a sinner who comes back to Him. God wants us to be happy when people repent. 	Repentance John 6:37b
35	Jesus Is the Only Way to Heaven Luke 18:9-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connecting the dots Cutting and pasting Contrasting pride and humility Reenacting the story Practicing humility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Being good doesn't get people into heaven. God saves people who know they need Him. Jesus is the only way into heaven. 	Belief Romans 10:13
36	Jesus Raises Lazarus from the Dead John 11:1-53	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Making a book Coloring Completing an obstacle course Writing a secret message Identifying objects by their scents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God's plan is sometimes different from our plan. God's plan is stronger than any obstacle, even death. God's plan brings joy from sorrow. 	Heaven Colossians 3:1a
37	Jesus Enters Jerusalem Matthew 21:1-11; 22: 15-22; 23:18-39; Mark 11:15-18; Luke 19:29-40, 45-48; 20:20-26; John 12:17-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crossing out things that don't belong Connecting the dots in alphabetical order Reenacting the story Making a "Hosanna!" bulletin board Observing spiders and their webs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus, the King, deserves praise. Jesus, the King, restores true worship. Jesus, the King, loves His enemies. 	Submission Ephesians 6:1
38	Jesus Serves at the Last Supper Matthew 26:26-29; Luke 22:17-20; John 13:1-17; 14:1-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Counting and numbering Completing a maze Reenacting the story Following the one path Serving others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus washes away our sin. Jesus teaches us to serve one another. Jesus promises to bring us to God. 	Serving Galatians 5:13b
39	Jesus Dies on the Cross Matthew 26:14-16; Mark 15:6-15; Luke 22:47-23:25; John 18:1-12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sequencing Cutting and pasting Counting by 1's, 5's, and 10's Making a "Jesus Died for Me" bulletin board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus experienced Judas's selfishness. Jesus selflessly obeyed God's plan. Jesus selflessly suffered in the place of others. 	Unselfishness Philippians 2:4
40	Jesus Rises from the Dead and Ascends to Heaven Matthew 28:18-20; Luke 24:46-53; John 20:1-31; Acts 1:8-11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connecting the dots Putting together a puzzle Watching balloons ascend Using a globe to understand God's love for the world Celebrating Jesus' resurrection 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jesus is alive! Jesus helps people who doubt. Jesus commands us to spread the Good News. 	Witnessing Matthew 28:19a