As we begin February’s teachings, I would like to explain a few things. Beginning this month, there will also be videos/lessons for our younger children. These lessons will mostly focus on stories, with a few coloring pages, as well as crafts. This will be for children ages 2-5.

I encourage all families to use the February scripture readings calendar that I have included in this newsletter, too.

Last, but not least, I have included several love scripture verses for each family. Though some may be a little deeper than others, my hope is that families can read them together and discuss them, focusing how they can be applied into our families’ lives.

Sunday, February 07, 2021: John 13: 12-17, 34-35

Sunday, February 14, 2021: Matthew 26: 36-46

Sunday, February 21, 2021: Matthew 11: 25-35

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This is an idea for the whole family to get involved in!

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- Make a routine of opening the jar once a day or once a week when everyone is together, reading the slips and saying thank you to God for His blessings! Maybe you could even glue them all into a book to look back at in the future to see how God has blessed you!

2.) Think about who you need to forgive and make Forgiveness Fizz

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- Get a jug of water and some effervescent vitamin tablets (I broke these into quarters, so they were not so big).
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- Put the tablet in the water and get the children to imagine asking God to help them forgive. As the bubbles start to come off the tablets, imagine giving the hurt feelings to God. The tablets take a while to dissolve, which also illustrates that sometimes it takes a long time to forgive. The water might also have changed color, which illustrates that it's not as if the thing that hurt you had never happened, it's just been changed by God.

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Love One Another

In John 13:34, Jesus instructs his disciples to do something very important. What did he say?

Trace the quote below to complete the passage. Use a red crayon or marker to trace the words “love” and “loved.”

“So now I am giving you a new commandment:

Love each other. Just as I have loved you,
you should love each other.”
Something I will love forever is ____________

Be sure to cut this out once you decorate it.

Name: ____________________

More than one copy so everyone in your house can make one, put it up 😊.
Something I will LOVE forever is ________________________

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HEART MOBILE

Some of the things the Bible says love is...

- Protecting
- Not selfish
- Trusting
- Hopeful kind
- Patient
- Not jealous keeps trying

1.) You and your family make a mobile using these words and any others you can think of to do with showing love to others.

2.) Put these words onto construction hearts and turn them into a mobile similar to the one below.
Who Do I Love?

Who Loves Me?

I love Jesus. Jesus loves me.

I love my mom. My mom loves me.

I love my dad. My dad loves me.
I love my grandma.  
My grandma loves me.

I love my grandpa.  
My grandpa loves me.

I love my brother.  
My brother loves me.

I love my sister.  
My sister loves me.
I love my friend. My friend loves me.
I love my family. My family loves me.
I love my church. My church loves me.
I love my teacher. My teacher loves me.
I love my _________.  
My ________ loves me.  

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I love my _________.  
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I love my __________.
My __________ loves me.

I love my __________.
My __________ loves me.
He loved me when I was his enemy.

He loves me even when I don't understand.

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My weaknesses.

He loves me in my weaknesses.

He loves me in my strength.

L is for love.
These words make up your bible verse for this week. Color them and cut them. Glue them onto construction paper to make a cross. Find a place to hang it in your house so everyone can enjoy it.

Everyone will know that you are my
FOLLOWERS

IF

YOU
LOVE
EACH
OTHER.
Color by Number
In the Garden

Color Key
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Jesus Prays in the Garden | Matthew 26:36-41
and dis-tressed.

be-gan to be a-grieved

Ze-be-dee, and

the two sons of

with Him Pe-ter and

And He took

pray." And He took

o-ver there and

Sit here while I go

said to His dis-ci-ples,

called

Geth-see-ma-ne, and

Geth-se-ma-ne, and

Then Je-sus came

Matthew 26:36-46 Reader

Gethsemane

The Garden
"as you will,"

yet not as I will, but

cup pass from Me;

possible, let this

Father, if it is

prayed, saying, "My

fell on His face and

beyond them, and

And He went a little

with Me."

here and keep watch

of death, remain

grieved, to the point

My soul is deeply

Then He said to them,
And He came to the disciples and said, "Peter, you could not keep watch with Me for one hour?"

"But the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."
thinking once more.

saying the same,

prayed a third time,

went a-way and

them a-again, and

heavy. And he left

for their eyes were

found them sleep-again,

a-again he came and


Your will be done.

unless I drink it,

cannot pass a-way

My Father, if this

and prayed, saying;

and prayed, a-second time

He went a-way
Get up, let us be

One who be-trays Me

Man is be-ing

Hand and the Son of

Held, the hour is at

Then, "Are you still

Then He came to the

Hands of sin-ners.

be-trayed in to the
Color and cut out this picture.

Glue it onto the cardstock, writing “My House Shall Be A House of Praise.”

Find a place to hang this picture in your house to help you remember the words of Jesus.