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## KIDS CLUB

WEEK THREE



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Theme: Following Jesus means loving God and loving people.

Bible Story: The Greatest Commandment (Matthew 22:37–40)

- **Big Idea:** Jesus teaches us to love God with all our heart and to love others as ourselves.
- **Memory Verse:** “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.” –Matthew 22:37
- **Activity Idea:** Have the children write or draw ways they can show love to God and others, like helping at home or sharing with friends.
- **Discussion Point:**
  1. How can we love God with all our hearts?
  2. How can we love others like Jesus does?

## Week 3: Lesson

Narrator:

Alright, kids! Gather around because I’m going to tell you a very special story—one that Jesus Himself shared with a group of people, and it’s a story that helps us understand what’s most important in life! It all started when a smart teacher of the law decided to try to trick Jesus with a big question. He asked, “Teacher, what’s the greatest commandment in all of God’s Word? What is the most important thing we must do?”

Jesus (calmly but with authority) didn’t just give an easy answer. Nope! He gave a BIG answer—one that shows us how to love God and love everyone around us!

Jesus replied, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment.”

Pause for a moment to let the children absorb the idea of loving God completely.

“And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”



## Week 3: Lesson

Narrator:

Did you hear that? Jesus said that loving God with ALL your heart, soul, and mind is the first thing we should do. That means loving God with everything we've got—our whole hearts, all our energy, and every part of our thinking. We should make God the biggest part of our lives!

But then—He didn't stop there! He also told us to love our neighbors—every single person around us—just as much as we love ourselves. Can you imagine that? Loving everyone around you just like you love yourself!

So, what does that look like? Well, it means being kind to others, helping those in need, forgiving when someone makes a mistake, and always showing love, just like Jesus does with us!

Now, here's something cool! Jesus said that ALL of God's laws and teachings are built on these two things: loving God and loving others! Every rule, every law, every instruction in the Bible comes down to those two things.

(Wrapping Up)

This is how we show that we really love God—by loving others. And when we live like this, we are following everything God has taught us in His Word! When we love God with all our hearts and love others, we're living the way God wants us to live!

Are you ready to love God with everything you've got? And share that love with everyone around you? I bet you are! Let's all try to do that every single day!

Closing Prayer:

"Dear God,

Thank You for teaching us how to love You with all our hearts, minds, and souls. Help us to remember that loving You means loving others too. Show us ways we can be kind, patient, and caring toward everyone around us.

Please help us to share Your love with our family, friends, and even people we don't know yet.

We know that when we love others, we are showing them Your love. Thank You for helping us grow in love every day.

In Jesus' name, Amen."

## Week 3: Lesson

### Review Discussion:

Here are a few additional questions that could lead into a deeper understanding of the Big Idea:

1. How can we love God with all our hearts?

Answer Idea: Explain that loving God with all our hearts means putting Him first, praying to Him, reading the Bible, and listening to what He says. It's about giving Him our full attention and devotion.

2. What are some ways we can show love to others?

Answer Idea: Help children brainstorm simple and practical ways they can show kindness, such as helping others, being patient, forgiving others, or sharing.

3. What does it look like to love God with your mind?

Answer Idea: Loving God with our minds involves thinking about God and His Word, learning more about Him, and remembering to think about what He would want us to do in different situations.

## Week 3: Stations

World Missions Journey: Caribbean

Narrator:

"Today, we're going on a fun journey to learn all about the Caribbean! You'll visit three interactive stations where you can create a craft, play with a fun sensory activity, and even try a yummy treat! Along the way, you'll discover some cool facts about the Caribbean and learn how we can help kids in different places across the continent. Loving God on this journey means loving others and sharing hope in many ways. Are you ready to explore and learn all about the Caribbean today?"

(Give directions on how to rotate between each station.)

### Stations

Craft: Washi Tape Bracelets

Coloring Page & Prayer Postcard included

Encourage kids to write a prayer point on the postcard and use it as a prayer prompt whenever they have prayer time at home.

Sensory Activity: Water Bead Sensory Bin

- It can include Caribbean coins purchased from Amazon and small plastic toys – Caribbean-inspired animals.

Snack: Dried Mango