Heavenly Father and Jesus Love Me

Teach your child of the amazing love their Heavenly Father and older brother have for them specifically! Also ~ this is a good opportunity for you to remember how much they love you!

Purpose

When we think of our children there is just this amazing love we feel for them straight away. Heavenly Father's love for us is, if we can believe it, more than that! Teach your child about that amazing love. Take time for yourself to and realize that Jesus and Heavenly Father love you too, just as much as they love your child!

"My brothers and sisters, the Lord is in all of our lives. He loves us. He wants to bless us. He wants us to seek His help. As He guides and directs us and as He hears and answers our prayers, we will find the happiness here and now that He desires for us."~ President Thomas S. Monson

Preparation

Pull up any links you might need for the lesson - look at the Family Night website for quick links

Mark Scriptures ~ John 3:16

Find a Picture of ~ Daniel & The Lions Den

Prepare for the Activities you want to do.

Things you will need ~ anything else you might need for extra activities

Prepare Treat ~ Suggested Treat ~ Heart Shaped Cookies or Heart Shaped Strawberries

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Opening Song ~ "My Heavenly Father Love Me" (Primary Hymnbook; Hymn 228)

Opening Prayer

Attention Activity ~ Ask your child if they know someone who loves them. Ask them to know how they know that. Tell your child that this lesson is about 2 people that love them very much. They love us so much they gave us the world we live in and the gospel. Can they guess who it is?

Scripture ~ John 3:16

Have the child repeat, word for word the scripture. Teach your child that Heavenly Father loved us so much that he allowed Jesus to die for us. That was a hard thing for Heavenly Father to do but he loved us so much and wanted us to live with him again. And in order for us to live with him again Jesus had to die for us.

Scripture Story ~ Jesus Loved the Children

Show your child the picture of Christ and the Children

Tell your child the story that goes with this picture. Christ had just had a long day and was tired. After he got out of a meeting he was walking home when some children came up and wanted to talk to him. Other men who were with Jesus told the children to go away, that he was tired and couldn't play with them.

Jesus was tired, but instead of turning the children away sat down with them and spent some time with them. He even took the time to bless them! Jesus loved the children, and they loved him to! Remind your child that Jesus loves them, they are just like the children he took time to spend with and bless.

Story ~ "Miguel's New Primary" ~ From March 2010 Friend (Link on Family Night Website)

Read the story about Miguel. He moved to a new primary and was worried it would be different than his old one. But in the end his primary taught him that Jesus loved him just like his old primary teacher taught him

Activity ~ Picture Activity

Show different pictures of things Heavenly Father gave to us because he loves us. You can show pictures of ~ The Earth, A Temple, Animals, Flowers, Family, Scriptures, and what ever else you can think of. Instead of telling your child what each thing is, have them explain it to you. Have them tell you why Heavenly Father gave those things to us.

Testimony ~ Bear your testimony to your child about how much Heavenly Father and Jesus love them! Make sure they know that Heavenly Father and Jesus know them by name and they know what your child is doing in their lives and wants what is best for them.

Closing Song ~ I Feel My Savior's Love (Primary Hymnbook; Hymn 74)

Closing Prayer

Treat ~ Suggested Treat ~ Heart Shaped Cookies or Strawberries! For Heart Shaped Strawberries cut them in half - length wise and round off the top with 2 bumps, the bottom naturally makes a good bottom of a heart!

Extra Activities for This Lesson ~

1 ~ Frost and Decorate some heart shaped sugar cookies and eat them for treat!

2 ~ Heavenly Father and Jesus Love Me! Coloring page found on sugardoodle.net

3 ~ Heavenly Father and Jesus Love Me File Folder Game~ By Megan Mills

Other Materials ~

Basically all the ideas from this lesson is from The Primary 1 Manual, lds.org, and Sugardoodle.net

If you are looking for other materials to help with your lesson you can look in any of these places ~ There are links to them on the Family Night Website!

For Younger Siblings ~

If your child has a younger sibling, look at the lesson we have for infants and toddlers, you can find the link on our website.