

God is Love

Family Worship Response

Elementary

Purpose: Moses received the Ten Commandments on stone tablets from God on the top of Mt. Sinai. There were thick clouds, billowy smoke, lightning, and thunder. And the Israelites trembled with fear. But God gave these commands to the Israelites because He loved them as His children. God wanted to show His people how to approach Him and have a relationship with Him. Unfortunately, no one could obey the Law perfectly - except Jesus. The Law shows our need for a Savior. And God loved us so much, that He gave His only Son, Jesus, to redeem us from sin and allow His presence to fill our lives.

This activity will allow us to think about God's love towards us and express our love to God by making our own "stone tablets".

Supplies for Activity:

- Bible
- Clay or playdoh (you can make your own with the link below)

<https://domesticsuperhero.com/best-homemade-playdough-recipe/>

- Disposable utensils or toothpicks

Activity: Carving Clay: We love because God first loved us.

- Read 1 John 4:7-20
- Give each person a lump of clay or playdoh
- Have them flatten the clay or playdoh into small tablet shapes.
- Have them carve out symbols or words to represent their thoughts about what they love about God.

Family Discussion

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God Statement: God is Love

Family Memory Verse: Isaiah 40:28: "The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and His understanding no one can fathom."

Bible Lesson: Exodus 19-20: The Ten Commandments

Discussion Questions:

1. Why did God deliver His people from slavery? Exodus 2:23-34; 7:16
(God cared about His people; He remembered His covenant promise to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; So the people could worship God freely.)
2. Why did God give His people the Ten Commandments? Deuteronomy 5:1 and Galatians 3:19
(So that they may learn God's requirements; to show people their sins and their need for a Savior - Jesus!)
3. List the Ten Commandments and discuss the hardest to obey. Exodus 20:2-17
 1. You must not have no other gods but Me.
 2. You must not make or worship idols.
 3. You must not misuse the Name of the Lord your God.
 4. Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.
 5. Honor your father and your mother.
 6. You must not murder.
 7. You must not commit adultery (be faithful to your husband or wife).
 8. You must not steal.
 9. You must not testify falsely against your neighbor (always tell the truth).
 10. You must not covet your neighbor's stuff (be content with what you have).
4. How did Jesus summarize the Ten Commandments? Matthew 22:37-40
(Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, and mind; love your neighbor as yourself).
5. How can we love God?
6. How can we love others?

Blessing: May you know that your Heavenly Father loves you enough to discipline you as His children. May you give thanks to Jesus that while we were still sinners, Christ died for you. May the Holy Spirit help you to live a life that's pleasing to God.