

Children's Bible Lesson about Love (1 Corinthians 13:1-8)

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This Bible lesson for children is based on Paul's explanation of love from 1 Corinthians 13:1-8. Use this lesson to instruct children on the characteristics of Christ-like love. This kids Bible lesson could be used as a children's church or expanded for a Sunday school lesson. Please leave any suggestions at the bottom of this page.

Curriculum Text: 1 Corinthians 13:1-8

Time: 20 Minutes

Learning Objectives: After this lesson....

- Children express what they learned about Paul's description of love by retelling several aspects they learned about it.
- Children express ways this kind of love can be lived out in our lives.
- Children express their understanding of the Lord's love for them.



Curriculum Target Age: Kindergarten – 5th

Material Needed:

- Bible: 1 Corinthians 13:1-8
- Visual Aid: Poster Board listing each characteristic of love.
- Print our 6 free [coloring pages about love](#)

Children's Church Teaching Plan:

Establish the lesson by briefly explaining different relationships in which people love others. Talk about the parent to child, child to parent, siblings, relatives (grandparents, cousins, etc.), and friends. Have the children share briefly what they love about their parents and/or siblings.

Prior to reading the Scripture, divide the group of children into two groups and ask one half to listen for what they learn about God's love. Ask the other half of the children to identify what Paul says they are like if they don't have love.

Read (and Recap) 1 Corinthians 13:1-8. Hold up the poster board prepared beforehand while reading the Scripture. Stop after two or three verses and involve the children in the lesson. Reinforce the lesson by asking questions: What kind of things are we like if we don't have love? We're a noisy gong and clanging cymbal. If love is missing, but we have faith to move mountains, what do we gain? Nothing.

When you're finished reading the verses, use the poster to review the important points learned about love.

Ask for a response from the children about their listening assignment. What did they learn about God's love? What did they learn they are like without love?

Select volunteers to take turns demonstrating the lessons about love. Have a child stand up and give them one characteristic of love. Ask them to think of ways that they can show this kind of love to others, such as sharing their favorite toy with a sibling or friend that would be hard for them to share. Explain any characteristics they might not understand. Select older children for more difficult characteristics such as "love does not act unbecomingly." At this time it would be good to reinforce the Lord's love for each us this way, and how He enables us to love with His kind of love.

Children's Church Lesson Evaluation:

Ask for three volunteers to come up and try to remember as many traits about love that they can remember. Ask for a volunteer to share what part about God's love that means the most to them. Give a list of possible lessons and ask the children to raise their hands if it was part of the lesson.

- The Lord's love never fails. Yes.
- The Lord knows all things. True, but not part of this lesson.
- Love is important to the Lord. Yes
- Jesus died on the cross because we sin. True, but not part of this lesson.
- The Lord knows the way we think and feel. True, but not really part of this lesson.
- Love is patient with others. Yes.

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1 Corinthians 13:4-8a Song for Children

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Here is a little song that is sung to the tune of "Jesus Loves Me". It goes through the verses of 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a and will help your kids learn what love is about. I kept the chorus from "Jesus Loves Me" since it goes so well with the love chapter. Enjoy!



1 Corinthians 13: 4-8a
(to the tune of Jesus Loves Me)

Love is patient
Love is kind
Is not jealous, does not brag
Is not proud and is not rude
Does not look out
for its own

Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
the Bible tells me so

Don't get easily angry
Don't keep records of all wrongs
Don't be happy with evil
Full of joy when
truth is said

Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
the Bible tells me so

Love protects and
It does trust
Always hopes and never quits
Never fails and never ends
1 Corinthians 13

Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
Yes, Jesus loves me
the Bible tells me so

2 Valentine's Day Games for Kids

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Sweet and special, Valentine's Day offers the prepared teacher the ideal opportunity for teaching kids about God's love and loving others. From television shows to poor in-home examples, kids see many wrong or, at best, shallow ideas about what love truly is. Bring kids back to the truth by presenting easy to remember love-related scriptures they will treasure all their lives.

It's okay for kids to have some fun while learning so I've provided you with two Valentine's Day games and activities for the kids in your class or ministry. As always, you can "tweak" them to suit your specific needs just by replacing the verse I've suggested. Show your kids how much you love them by pointing them toward a big God of Love.



Musical Hearts: Before class begins cut out a large heart from red poster board. The ideal paper heart for this game is large enough to be held with both hands. In big letters, write John 3:16 on one side of the heart, and write the verse out on the other side. This way, kids will see the verse and John 3:16 as the heart is passed around. Like musical chairs, the group stands in a circle, only facing one another. Once the music begins, the heart is passed, with both hands to the person to the right who accepts it with both hands. The heart continues around the circle stopping when the music stops. When the music stops the person to the left of the one holding the heart is out. Continue to play this Valentine's Day game until you have one person left.

Hide the Hearts: Cut out 10 or more paper hearts, at least 3-inches wide before the class. It's good to have one heart per child. Hide them around the room then begin your regular lesson. Throughout the lesson, stop and send a child to search for a heart. You can give clues by saying "You're hot," when the child is close to a heart or "You're cold," when a child is far away from one. Place a verse of scripture on each heart to make them a special, personal valentine to take home. Another good idea is to put one word on each heart, kind of like a puzzle. When all the hearts are found, the class can assemble them together to read the message.

The most important mission of the day is to show kids unconditional love and loving guidance. Anyone can have fun with a class but it takes a special teacher to bring kids closer to understanding the true nature of God.

Read Mimi's latest book, "[The Prophet's Code](#)," a resource for children and teens interested in Biblical prophecy.

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Who Do I Love? Who Loves Me? Early Reader Booklet

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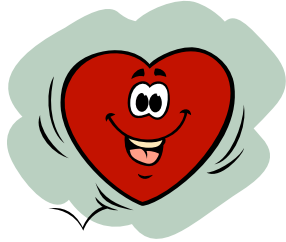
Valentine's Day is coming up and I wanted to give my early readers a book that they can read as well as be the illustrator for. So I wrote this "Who Do I Love? Who Loves Me?" book. It is a repetitious book that uses the words I, love, loves, me, and my, along with people who they love, including: Jesus, mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, brother, sister, friend, family, church, and teacher.

[Click here to download this booklet](#)

Use which pages you want to use with your students. You may need to make extra copies of certain pages depending on the children in your class and their families. I have included a page that you can add in different names so that all of your children can name all of the people that they love; for example: nana, papa, aunt, uncle, etc.

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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.

I love my _____.
My _____ loves me.

I love my _____.
My _____ loves me.

I love my _____.
My _____ loves me.

John 3:16

for God so lo **V**ed the world
that He g **A**ve His
on **L**y Son that
whoever b **E**lieves
i **N** Him
should no **T**
per **I**sh but have
eter **N** al
lif **E**

Be Mine

We love, because He first loved us.
1 John 4:19

Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love.
John 15:9



"I love You, O LORD,
my strength."
Psalms 18:1

"I love those who love me; And those who diligently seek me will find me."
Proverbs 8:17



This is My commandment,
that you love one another,
just as I have loved you.
John 15:12

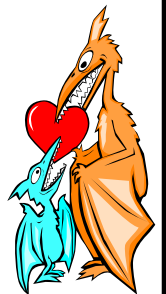


But now faith, hope, love,
abide these three; but the
greatest of these is love.
1 Corinthians 13:13

*Beloved, if God so loved us, we
also ought to love one another.*
1 John 4:11



A new commandment I give
to you, that you love one
another, even as I have
loved you, that you also
love one another.
John 13:34



Beloved, let us love one another,
for love is from God; and
everyone who loves is born of
God and knows God.
1 John 4:7



Let all that you do be done in
love.
1 Corinthians 16:14



God loves
You!



Jesus
loves

Me





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