

## BASIC TRUTH

GOD LOVES ME.

## BOTTOM LINE

GOD LOVES YOU.

## BIBLE WORDS

**“Nothing at all can ever separate us from God’s love.”  
Romans 8:39, NIrV**

We have provided three playtimes to teach the monthly bottom line through one-on-one play. Repeat each activity as long as there is interest. Remember, toddlers LOVE repetition.

### MONTHLY PLAYTIMES:

- I See You
- Love Clap
- God Loves You

#### 1. I SEE YOU

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Plastic tub; hand mirror; large pom-poms in various colors- Don't have pom-poms? Use your clean laundry basket to play with your child as you fold some clothes

**WHAT YOU DO:** Before introducing the tub to the children, hide the mirror inside the tub. Help your child find the mirror so they can see themselves. Continue as long as there is interest.

**WHAT YOU SAY:** “Come sit with me. I have something I want you to see. Look inside my tub. Do you see you? Where are you? (*Push some pom-poms or clothes aside.*) There you are. (*Let the pom-poms or clothes fall back.*) Where did you go? There you are. I see you! Do you know who else sees you all the time? God! God made you, and He loves you.”

#### 2. LOVE CLAP

**WHAT YOU DO:** Sit one-on-one with your child. Clap your hands and help toddlers to clap their hands to the rhythm of the words. Continue as long as there is interest.

**WHAT YOU SAY:** “Come and sit with me. Can you clap your hands? Let’s clap while I say a fun rhyme. Ready? One, two, God loves you! Now you do it. One, two, God loves you! Yay!”

#### 3. GOD LOVES YOU

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Ring stacker or blocks

**WHAT YOU DO:** Gather your child to play with their blocks or a ring stacker toy. Each time a child puts on a ring, say, “God loves you.”

**WHAT YOU SAY:** “Let’s play together. Can you put a block/ring on? God loves you. Good job! God loves you. Yeah, God loves you!” (*Clap.*)

# Older Toddler Play Activities

## 1. Find the Coins Activity:

**Say:** “I’ve hidden ten coins in here (point to a tub of sand, rice, or packing peanuts) Let’s work together to find all ten. (provide digging tools if you desire)”

**Wrap up Activity:**

**Say:** “Great finding and counting, friends! How many coins did we find? Yes, we found all ten! In our Bible story today, we’ll hear about a woman who had ten coins, but she lost one! Do you think she found it? Let’s go find out.”

## 2. Circle the Coins Activity:

**Prepare:** Print out the “Lost Coins” Activity Page and gather washable markers or crayons

**Say:** “This is the scene from our Bible story today. The woman in our story searched for one lost coin! But on this page, ten coins are hidden. Do you think you can find all ten? I think you can. As you find a coin, circle it with your crayon or marker.”

**Wrap up Activity:**

**Say:** “Great job! Let’s count all ten of the coins we found together. (point to the coins as you count to ten with your child.) The woman in our Bible story searched and searched and was SO happy when she found the lost coin. It was special her! And guess what? YOU are special to God because God loves you.”

## 3. Hide and Seek Activity:

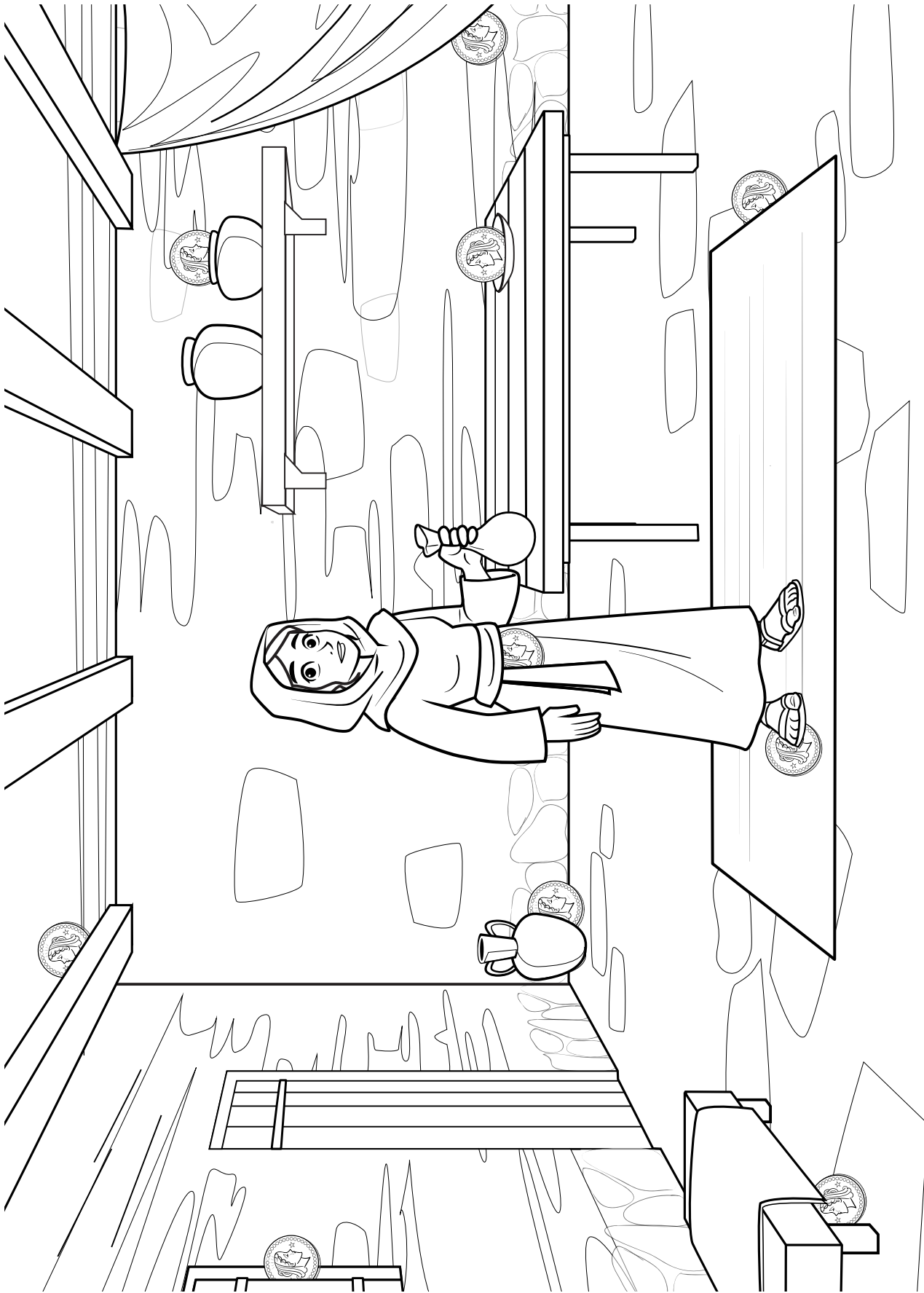
**Do:** Play hide and seek with your child. When you find them remind them that you love them and that they are so special to you.

**Say:** You are special, and I found you!

**Wrap up Activity:**

**Say:** “That was so fun playing hide and seek! I loved finding you because you are so special to me! You are so special to God! He loves finding you so much! Who loves you?”

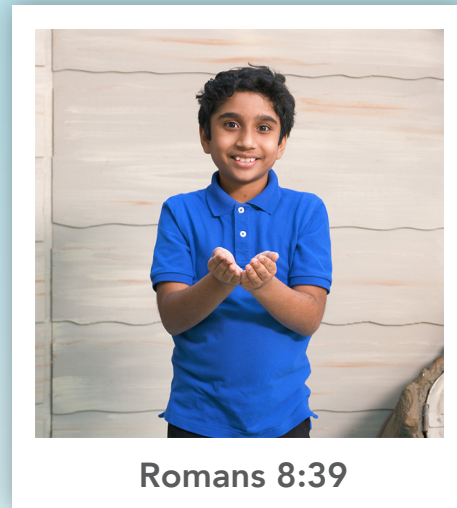
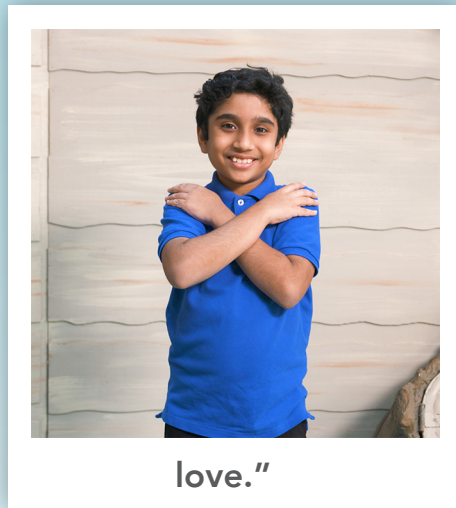
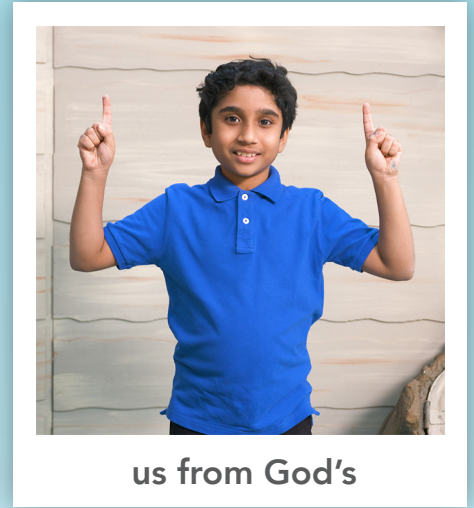
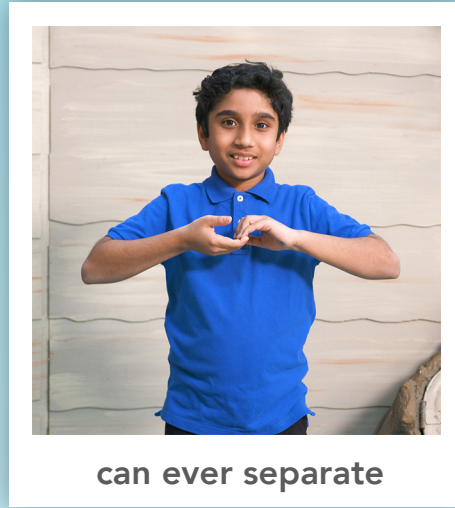
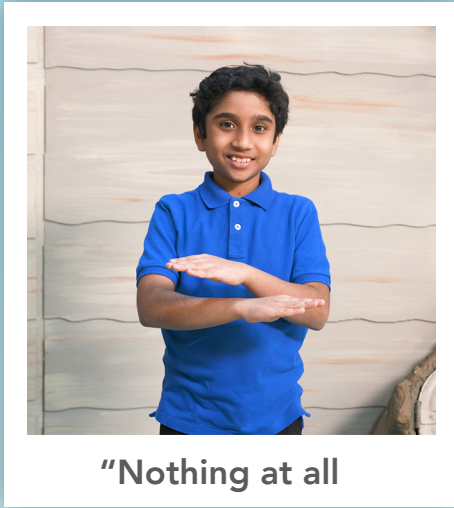
(Answer with your child, ‘God loves me!’)



**God loves me.**  
The Lost Coin • Luke 15:8-10

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## Memory Verse Motions





**WEEK FIVE**

**LUKE 15:8-10**

Jesus tells a story about a woman who looks for a lost coin to show how special we are to God.



**REMEMBER THIS:**

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**SAY THIS:**

Who loves you?  
**GOD LOVES ME.**



**DO THIS:**



Cuddle with your child this month and pray, “Dear God, I love being [child’s name]’s mom/dad. He/she is so . . . (list qualities you appreciate about your child). I know You love me a lot because You gave me [child’s name]. Help us to love each other the way You love us. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”

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**CELEBRATE YOUR FAMILY WINS**

By Holly Crawshaw

You and your family have made it to the end of another school year. Regardless of your school situation, it feels like an achievement for all of you, doesn’t it? It’s a big deal! And it’s definitely something worth celebrating. Before you fully dive into summer, get a date on the calendar to gather your family together to talk about all the awesome things that happened this school year.

Below are some suggestions for what this celebration could look like:

- Make the celebration a little more enticing by offering everyone’s favorite snack. Cupcakes usually draw a crowd!
- Consider adding some decorations if you’re celebrating at home—a few streamers, some noise makers, and if you’re extra brave, some silly string.
- Prepare some fun awards beforehand. You can even print out certificates or buy objects that represent the award. For example, “The No Cavities Award” could get a new toothbrush. Or the “New Bike Rider Award” could get a bike horn.
- Start the celebration with your fun awards. Take time to share funny stories that go with the awards. End by taking a family selfie with your awards.
- Talk about your family wins by asking and answering the following questions.

- What’s one new thing you learned?
- What’s one new skill you gained?
- What’s an area you improved in?
- What’s one way you grew in character?
- What’s one way you grew in your faith?
- What’s one thing you’re really proud of from this school year?
- What’s your favorite friend-related memory?
- What’s your favorite family-related memory?
- What are some things we could do next school year to make it even better than this last one?

Record some of the family-related answers in a creative way. Maybe on a chalkboard, a whiteboard, poster, cardstock—whatever you have on-hand. Post this in a central location so you can celebrate the wins all summer long.

After you’re finished with your questions, give each family member a sincere compliment, telling them some of the wins you’ve noticed. End your time together by spending a few minutes in prayer, thanking God for the past year, and praying for an awesome, safe, and connected summer.



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