

Epic: A love story for the ages



First, watch
this week's
video!

Love: Showing
others how
much they
matter to you

Memory Verse

"Here is what love is. It is not that we loved God. It is that he loved us and sent his Son to give his life to pay for our sins."
1 John 4:10, NIV

Bible Story

God Chooses Abram
Genesis 12:1-9; 15:1-6

Bottom Line

God has a plan to show love to the world.

Use this guide to help your family learn how we can share God's love with others.

Activity

Doodle-Verse

What You Need:

Paper; and colored pencils, markers, or colored pens

What You Do:

Write down this month's memory verse, 1 John 4:10.

Say, "John's purpose in writing 1 John was to explain how much God loves us . . . and to help us understand how Jesus made a way for us to have a relationship with God now and forever."

If your child has spent time memorizing 1 John 4:10 this month, give them a chance to say it out loud for you. Then, let your child doodle (color, illustrate, decorate) around the verse on the paper while you continue through the Bible story questions.

When your child is finished, display the verse somewhere your family can see it every day.



Talk About the Bible Story

What did God promise to do through Abram and Sarai's family? (*To bless the whole world*)

If you had been Abram and Sarai, would you have been able to trust in God's plan? Why?

What is God's plan for our lives? (*God has a plan to love us always and forever; God wants us to love and follow Jesus; God wants us to show that love to everyone we meet.*)

What was God's plan to show love to the world? (*Sending Jesus to be our Savior*)

How are each of us part of God's big plan? (*By showing God's love to others*)

How can you plan to show God's love to others this week?

Parent: Share an age-appropriate story about a hard time when you were able to feel God's love.

Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for this reminder that Your plans are always good. You use Your plans to show Your love to everyone. Help us be a light this week to show others that You have a plan to show love to the world. Use us to be encouragers and helpers for others who may be walking through hard times. Thank You for using us and wanting us to be a part of Your Big Story. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."