

Discussion

Read: 1 Jn. 3:1,2

How do our fathers show us that they love us? (food, clothing, house, work when they want to play) What does your Daddy do for you? (take you to the doctor when your sick, get medicine for you, play ball with you, kill a scary bug or snake to protect you)

God is our father. What did he do for us? 1 Jn. 4:9 (gave his only Son for us so we could have forgiveness for sin and come to live in heaven with him)

Read Matt. 7:10

Would a Dad give his child a stone when he was hungry and asked for bread? Would he give him a snake, if he asked to eat fish?

God loves us and wants to give us what is good for us.

Activity Sheet

Color the fish and draw a snake on the other side of the paper.

Can anyone tell me what "love" is? 1 John 4:8b tells us that "God is Love". What are some things that God has done for us to show us that he is love? Gives us food, clothes, places to live, our families, the church, and most importantly his son to die on the cross for our sins. Everything God has done, he was acting out of love toward us. He wanted to make sure that we were cared for. I'm going to read this book called "What Is Love?". While reading the book I will pull out a number of hearts, and when I do, I want you all to say "God is Love" all together. So, pay attention and watch for the hearts. READ BOOK How did this book describe love? (not touching eggs in birds nest, letting butterflies go free, putting a tiny turtle back into the water, doing something to help other people, visiting a friend, sharing your umbrella on a rainy day, etc.) We sing a song called "God is Love". Does anyone know how it goes? Let's sing it.

Now I will give each one of you a little folder which says "God Is Love". Inside it you will place pictures of things God has given us to show his love.

*To prepare for class cut out about 10 red hearts and insert them between the pages of the book entitled "What is Love?" It is a small children's book located in the library.

*Each folder is made of construction paper, folded in half and stapled on three sides.

*Give each child a paper with food, house, clothes, family, Jesus on the cross to be cut out and placed in their folder to take home. Punch holes and tie yarn, so that each child can wear their folder like a necklace.



God "Be sure that no one pays back wrong for wrong. But always try to do what is good for each other and for all people."

1 Thessalonians 5:15

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Which man among you, if his son asks for a fish . . .

Will he give him a snake?

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