



JESUS AND THE CHILDREN

LESSON 3

WONDER TRUTH:

Jesus Loves Us

SCRIPTURE:

[Mark 10](#)

GOD'S BIG STORY:

Jesus welcomes little children, taking them in His arms and blessing them. He teaches that His kingdom belongs to those who are like little children.

WORD OF WONDER: Work together on memorizing this verse!

[John 3:16-17](#)

For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.

Watch God's Big Story



Early Elementary



Late Elementary

Listen to our Playlist



Wonder about it!

What is one thing you are learning about God and the wonder of His big story?

How do you see God's story as part of your own story?



Bible Memory: Record and Replay

The Word of Wonder for the Hanging Out with Jesus series includes one of the most well-known verses in the Bible! Work together as a family to commit John 3:16–17 (both verses!) to memory. Start by putting the verses to a simple tune, either an original or a song everyone knows. Practice it several times. Then when you're ready, record everyone singing it on a phone or tablet. Then replay it at certain points every day, such as in the car on your way to school, before dinner, and at bedtime.

(If memorizing both verses at once feels overwhelming, simply start by memorizing John 3:16. Once everyone has it down, add verse 17 to your family's song.)



Family Conversations

Families, use this to prompt conversations at the table, in the car, and anywhere else your family experiences life together.

How do you think people in the Bible felt when they were with Jesus? • What are some ways you can spend time with Jesus? How do you feel when you're with Jesus? • How do you think Jesus feels when you spend time with Him? • Jesus loves every part of you! What are some things you think Jesus loves about you?



Walk It! Act It! Move It! - Pack a Picnic

Remind your child that Jesus loves them and wants to hang out with them! Through the Holy Spirit, Jesus is with His followers, which means we can hang out with Jesus everywhere we go, including on picnics! Invite the whole family to have a picnic. If you live where the weather is cold, choose a cozy place indoors for your picnic, like inside a blanket fort or in front of a fireplace. If the weather is warm, plan on heading outdoors! Pack a picnic together; it can include a full meal or just a snack and drinks. Resist the temptation to take additional activities with you. Rather, enjoy the conversation that arises during your picnic.

End your family picnic by praying together as a family and thanking God for all the ways that He loves us. Take a family photo to capture your picnic!