

PARENT GUIDE

PROPEL JR.

3 YEARS OLD TO KINDERGARTEN

MARCH 17

MEMORY VERSE

“Love each other as I have loved you.”

(John 15:12, NIV)

KEY QUESTION & BOTTOM LINE

**WHO CAN LOVE LIKE JESUS?
I CAN LOVE LIKE JESUS!**

BASIC TRUTH

Jesus wants to be my friend forever.

TEACHING VIDEO LINK

You and your little ones can also watch Propels' online worship experience. This activity page goes along with the service. It is available on our website www.clintoncommunitychurch.org.

ACTIVITY: ALL

WHAT YOU NEED: BASKET, BEAN BAGS, AND A KITCHEN TIMER

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:

Place the basket in the center of the activity area.

Toss the bean bags all around the activity area.

DURING THE ACTIVITY:

Set the timer to one minute and ask the children to run and collect the bean bags and place them in the basket. Repeat the activity several times, decreasing the time on the timer each time.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY:

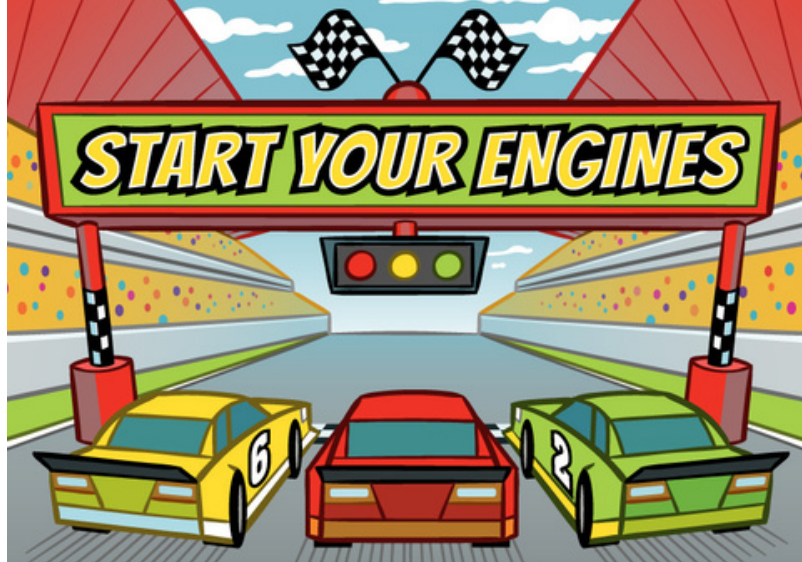
Hey, friends! Do you see all of the bean bags around the room? They all belong in this basket. (Point.)

DURING THE ACTIVITY:

Let's see how fast we can get ALL of the bean bags in the basket. We have to be careful and get them ALL! We don't want to leave any behind. (Do activity.)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY:

Great job, friends. You did that so fast, and you got ALL of the bean bags! Today in our Bible story, we'll hear how Jesus loves us ALL and never wants to leave anyone behind.



ACTIVITY: I CAN LOVE

WHAT YOU NEED: PAPER, SCISSORS, CRAYONS

WHAT YOU DO:

Cut out a paper heart for everyone in the family. If possible, gather the whole family together. Hand out one heart per family member. Ask everyone to color their heart as they choose. Then, write each person's name on their heart with the marker.

After everyone finishes coloring their hearts, gather them together. Call each family member to stand up while holding their heart and the rest of the family says, "[Name] can love like Jesus" while they hold their heart.

Say: In today's Bible story, we heard about how Jesus loves everyone. That means we can love everyone, too! Let's color these hearts to remind us how we can love like Jesus.

Your hearts look wonderful! When I call your name, stand up so everyone can see your heart. (Call a person to stand with their heart.) [Name] can love like Jesus! Yay! [Name] can love like Jesus!" (Repeat with each person.)

Jesus loves (name each person) because Jesus loves everyone. And we can love everyone because we can love like Jesus! **Who can love like Jesus? I can love like Jesus! Yay! I can love like Jesus!**

PRAYER

Dear God, Jesus is the best friend anyone will ever have. He really wants to help, share, and say kind words to everyone in the whole, wide world! That is real love! And we want to love like Jesus. God, will You please help us to help, share and say kind words so people everywhere will know that we love them the way Jesus loves us? We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen.