

CITY LG – February 7th- 8th, 2026

Bible Story: The Most Important Commandment • *Matthew 22:34-40 (supporting: Exodus 20:1-21)*

Bottom Line: Love God. Love others.

Monthly Memory Verse: *"I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you."* • John 13:34 NIV

WORSHIP

One in a Million

All of Me

SLIDE: Theme

Hello, hello! Welcome, everyone! This month, we're talking about sharing the love of Jesus as we 'Like and Subscribe' to the incredible things He teaches. When we share the light and love of Jesus with the people around us, we're doing just what Jesus told us to do in this month's Memory Verse. These are words of Jesus! I'll read it, and you can repeat after me!

SLIDE: Memory Verse

I give you a new command. Love one another. You must love one another, just as I have loved you"
John 13:34

Before we go any farther—let's get started with a question.
I'm going to give you some time to discuss this question as a group....

When has someone shown love to you? *(walk around and listen to kids' answer in their groups. Bring them back together in a few minutes when most groups are done). If time, have a couple of kids share their answers with the group.*

When we love one another like Jesus loves us, we're making the world look more like God's Kingdom! Great job! This week, we're going to learn what Jesus said are the most important things!

But before we get into our true story from the Bible, let me tell you about something awesome we're doing this year! We're going through the Bible cover-to-cover!

Why? Well, God gave us the Bible so we can get to know Him. So as we go through the stories of the Bible, we'll learn about God! We're going to go through God's Big Story in the Bible together so we can learn about God! *(Gesture to slide.)*

SLIDE: God's Big Story

Today we're continuing our journey through the Bible. *(Hold up Bible.)* We're at the part of the Bible where Jesus Himself is on earth. Jesus came to earth to teach us about God, and today He's going to tell us the two most important things in the entire Bible! Let's check it out.

VIDEO: Bible Story

Not only did Jesus silence the religious leaders who were trying to trick Him, but Jesus gave us a way to keep all of God's laws by remembering two simple things. Check out our bottom line:

VIDEO: Bottom Line

SLIDE: Bottom Line

Love God. Love others.

One of the most important ways you can love God is by deepening your friendship with Him! That's why He made you, to be His close friend! When you choose to follow Jesus, the Holy Spirit comes to live inside of you. And He goes through every moment of your life with you. That means you can also love God by talking with Him about every little thing in your life, and listening to Him, just like you would a friend.

Another way you can love God is by getting to know Him through His Word, the Bible. As you love God, He will fill your heart up with His love, and you'll want to pour out love just like He does.

There are so *many* ways that we can show love to others! Ask the Holy Spirit to nudge you and open your eyes to people who might need God's love throughout your day, like a lonely kid who needs someone to play with at recess. You can offer words of encouragement and remind someone that God loves them. You can lend a helping hand or just sit with a friend who is sad and listen. And you can even be kind to someone who has been rude to you.

Love God. Love others. It's not always easy, but God is always, always with you to help you do it.

Let's talk to God right now! Bow your heads and close your eyes.

Dear God, thank You so much for sending Jesus to show how much You love us. Thank You that Jesus makes it clear that we can follow all Your laws by loving You and loving others. Help us listen to Your Holy Spirit this week so that we can learn how to love You and how to show love to others. We love You and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

OFFERING

For our offering this year, We are helping a ministry called E3 which helps put in freshwater wells in Malawi. Having a well with clean water right in their village means women and children don't have to travel far away to other villages to get clean water.

Children help carry water too! They have to travel so far that they have to miss school sometimes. And if they used the dirty water that is in their village, they would get very sick.

Check out this video someone from our Parkview team took of kids experiencing a brand new well in their village!

Missions Video 2

Help us raise money to provide clean water wells in the communities in Malawi who need them. We want you to go home and ask what YOU can do to raise money for these families in Africa!