# AMILY FAITH

Jacob's ( Well A Monthly Guide Connecting Home and Church - February 2017

# Wee

Babes - Three



## Singin' in the Car

Jesus Is Good! (tune of God Is So Good)

Jesus is good, Jesus is good, Jesus is good, He's so good to me.

> He cares for me (x3)He's so good to me.

He gives me food (x3) He's so good to me.

I love him so (x3) He's so good to me.

## Play in the Story: Jesus Cares For Me (John 6:1-14)

#### Play!

The Wee Ones will focus on how Jesus cares during the month of February. After reading about Jesus feeding His people with 2 fish and 5 loaves of bread, we will make a fish and loaves necklace with the children which you can also do at home. You will need rigatoni noodles, colorful paper fish (hole-punched), and thick string. Have the children string the noodles and fish through the string until the necklace is complete!

#### **Hide It In Your Heart!**

"Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you." 1 Peter 5:7



A Boy Had Two Fish (Finger Play) (Tune of Happy Birthday)

A boy had two fish, (hold up one finger and then two)

and fives loaves of bread. (Hold up five fingers)

He shared them with Jesus, (Hold hands out, palms up)

Lots of people were fed! (wiggle fingers to indicate many people)

## The Loft

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Sing It!

Good Morning, God!

Good morning, God, This is your day. I am your child, Show me the way.

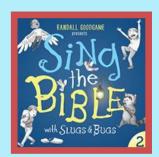
Play in the Story: Jesus Leaves Home (John 1)

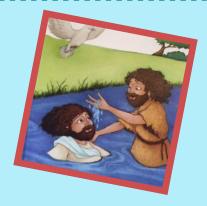
### **Our Story!**

In February, The Loft is traveling with Jesus as he heads out on his own. Join your child and read from John 1 or The Jesus Storybook Bible (p. 200-207). Pre-K & kinders enjoy hearing stories they are familiar with.... again and again!

#### **New Tunes!**

Check out Randall Goodgame's, Sing the Bible album.





#### **Power Words!**

When Jesus was being baptized, God said to him, "You are my Son, whom I love. With you, I am wellpleased." Invite your child to make a valentine for someone who could use some power words of life. If they can't write yet, they can dictate and you can be their scribe.



#### Table Talk

What is baptism? Have you been baptized?

What is repentance? How do you show you are sorry for doing wrong?

> What is temptation? How was Jesus tempted?

Who or what is the Holy Spirit? How do you know when the Holy Spirit is near?

What is doubt? What have you doubted lately?

## Get in the Story: Jesus & John the Baptist (John 1)

Continuing the narrative thread of Advent and Christmas, we progress from the Childhood of Jesus to looking at Jesus & John the Baptist. In identifying who John is, witnessing Jesus' baptism and temptation in the desert, and joining John in prison, we will address themes of baptism, repentance, temptation & doubt, as well as discuss all three parts of the Trinity: God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.

#### **Hide It In Your Heart**

"A messenger is calling out, 'In the desert prepare the way for the LORD. Make a straight road through it for our God."" Isaiah 40:3



#### Pilgrimage to John the Baptist

Last month, the grade schoolers learned about pilgrimage, and this month they learn about John in the wilderness. KC's own Nelson-Atkins museum features a famous painting of John the Baptist by the Italian master, Caravaggio. Why not take your grade schooler on a pilgrimage to see it?

Admission is free and museum hours are 10am-5pm Wednesday - Sunday (open until 9pm Thursday - Friday).

## Love is Courageous

By Jessica Williams, JW Parent

When we think of Valentine's Day it can be easy to get caught up in the candy and red paper hearts that tell us how romantic love looks. But if we dig deeper we can show our kids how love is courageous.



There are many stories about Saint Valentine and in each of them we see him exemplifying courageous love. He continued to preform marriage ceremonies even when it was illegal, he helped persecuted and marginalized Christians in Rome, and he refused to recant his faith in Christ even though the consequence was death.

this looks like paper hearts on doors and giving our time and resources to ministries that support widows, orphans, and immigrants/refugees. Yesterday, I cut out a bunch of paper hearts. Each day in February, we will write down what we see about a person that is loving and courageous. Then we will have our kids tape the heart on their bedroom door. These words of affirmation are a great way to write love on your kids' hearts! We are also gathering up our extra belongings to donate to Syrian families here in Kansas City. If you want to get involved in this act of courageous love, there will be an items lists and baskets to receive donations at both the Loft and Wonderground all February.

This month, we can teach our kids to love courageously both in their homes and in the wider communities they are a part of. In our house,



## **Gratitude Garden Party**

Our Jacob's Well Kids invite all of our Kids Community volunteers to this expression of gratitude and appreciation.

> Sunday, February 12th The Prayer Chapel After the 9am and 11am gatherings



## Youthfront Camp

Grade School: June 26-28 (session 4A - West)

Middle School: July 24-29 (session 8 - West)

High School: May31-June 2 (session 0 - LaCygne)

Register online by March 1st www.youthfront.com Resgstration Code: jacobswyfcamp