

WHAT WE WANT KIDS TO KNOW

God always forgives us.

LINKS FOR THIS WEEK

Do you or your kids have questions about God, Jesus or this lesson?

Check out these websites:

<https://www.reasonablefaith.org/>

<https://www.gotquestions.org>

Email us

kids@blackhawkchurch.org.

Spotify Playlists

[Preschool](#) | [Elementary](#) | [56](#)

View the lesson

[Link to video for this week](#)

BIBLE PASSAGE

Dear friends, let us love one another, because love comes from God.

Everyone who loves has become a child of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. Here is how God showed his love among us. He sent his one and only Son into the world. He sent him so we could receive life through him. Here is what love is. It is not that we loved God. It is that he loved us and sent his Son to give his life to pay for our sins. Dear friends, since God loved us this much, we should also love one another. No one has ever seen God. But if we love one another God lives in us. His loves is made complete in us.

1 John 4:7-12 NIV

BEFORE THE VIDEO

Gather your whole family. Grab your favorite Bible or pull up a Bible app on your phone. Today's Bible story is told from *The Jesus Storybook Bible*, page 272. Before starting the video, have each person share one thing they are thankful for this week.

DURING THE VIDEO

Pause as needed! Ask questions. Share stories!

AFTER THE VIDEO

Talk about some of these questions with your family:

1. In today's story, the father represents God. What does the father do that shows you what God is like? *(To watch the story again go to 11:02 in today's video.)*
2. Talk about times you have done something wrong. How did you respond? How did you respond after time went by?
3. Will God always forgive you? Do you have to feel sorry for what you've done to be forgiven?

Check out this resource for ways to tell today's Bible story in your own words: [5 Ways To Retell A Bible Story](#).

PRAY

Use one of the prompts below and take turns praying one sentence prayers. After each person has prayed, you can begin again.

"God, you are . . ."

"God, I'm sorry for..."

"Thank you for . . ."

"God I'm worried or scared about..."

"God, please . . ."

ACTIVITIES FOR THIS WEEK:

- Families: Make up your own motions for 1 John 4:7. Email us or post a video on social media and tag it with #BKidsCOVID19. We'll share!
- Older kids: write out this week's Bible verse on a poster.
- Younger kids: decorate the poster. Cover up more and more words as you memorize this. We will add to this next week!
- Parents: as your kids wake up or as you tuck them in at night, pray out loud with them, for them, for yourself and for others.
- Stay connected through the Blackhawk Kids Facebook and Instagram pages.