

CHILDREN'S — ADVENT — DEVOTIONAL





MONDAY



**Read John 3:16-17.
Work on learning verse 16.**

Dear God,

*Thank you for loving the world you
made so much, that you sent your
only son, Jesus, to rescue us.*

*Thank you that because Jesus
came, I can have life in fellowship
with you forever.*

*In Jesus' name,
Amen*



TUESDAY



**Read Luke 6: 32-35.
Work on learning verse 35.**

Dear God,

Thank you that Jesus was your perfect gift of love to a world full of people who made lots of mistakes. In the same way that you loved people who hated you, help me to love those who are unkind to me. Help me to give love generously, even when it feels hard to do so. May my heart look more like yours each day.

*In Jesus' name,
Amen*



WEDNESDAY



**Read 1 John 4: 7-12, 19-21.
Work on learning verses 10-11.**

Dear God,

Thank you that while you ask us to love others, you love us first. We don't have to pay for your love. You give it freely. We don't have to chase your love. Your love always finds us. We don't have to fear your love. Your love is full of mercy. Help me to love my neighbor through my words and actions, in the same way you have loved me. I know that I cannot truly love you, if I do not love others.

*In Jesus' name,
Amen*



THURSDAY



**Read Matthew 22: 35-39.
Work on learning verses 37-38.**

Dear God,

Thank you for teaching us that the most important thing we can do is to love you and love our neighbors. Thank you that I get to show my love for you in how I treat those around me. Help me to pay attention to the needs of other people. Help me to give without expecting anything back. Help me to welcome others' thoughts, feelings, and differences. Help my words to be full of kindness. Help me to love myself well too. Help me to be a reflection of your love each and every day.

*In Jesus' name,
Amen*



FRIDAY



**Read John 13:34-35.
Work on learning verse 34.**

Dear Lord,

When you came to earth, you gave the command for your disciples to “love one another” over and over again. Forgive me for not always loving my neighbor as you have loved me. Help me to be your disciple by loving through mercy, kindness, and working for fairness.

*In Jesus’ name,
Amen*



SATURDAY



**Read Romans 8:35-39.
Work on learning verses 38-39.**

Dear God,

*Thank you that because of Jesus,
nothing can ever separate me from
your love. Thank you that no matter
what I face, your love keeps me
steady. Help me to trust in your love
every day of my life.*

*In Jesus' name,
Amen*