

## FOLLOW UP ACTIVITY

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### WHAT DID GOD SAY? LESSON 2

**Objectives to be Understood:** For children to know: 1] God made you to be like Him; 2] God's Word is alive and true; 3] God's Word is like a sword; 4] God's Word has the power of life in it, and; 5] to say what God has said.

**ACTIVITY:** Children will write in their books the Scriptures/Words God Said.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** This activity is included in each of our 6 lessons with a different scripture in each lesson for children to receive into their hearts.

**MATERIALS:** Pencils; Markers; Pre-made book template or purchased notebooks [see Preparation below]

**Preparation:** To MAKE A BOOK

Pre-make book templates for each child by folding two sheets of paper in half and stapling [two staples on the folded side so pages open like a book]; OR purchase lined notebooks.

Write out and post (where children can easily see) the following scripture:

***TRUE LOVE IS GOD'S LOVE FOR US,***

***NOT OUR LOVE FOR GOD.***

***HE SENT HIS SON AS THE WAY TO TAKE AWAY OUR SINS!***

(1 John 4:10)

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### REVIEW:

What makes the Bible different from other books? (Listen to Responses)

The difference is the Bible is full of God's Words that are ALIVE and TRUE.

God's living words have POWER in them and can change things when you believe what God has said.

Did God make everything to be good or evil?

God made everything to be good and come alive by His Word. God's Word is written in the Bible. This is why it is very important that you learn the things that God has said in the Bible.

Different writers wrote what God told them to write in the Bible. What are the Words in the Bible called? The Words in the Bible are called scriptures.

What are the different parts of the Bible called? The different parts of the Bible are called books. The scripture or words that we will learn today can be found in the book of 1<sup>st</sup> John the fourth chapter and the 10th verse. 1 John 4:10 (*Show children 1 John 4:10 in Bible*)

The Bible has stories about God, and people. Some people believed God and others did not believe Him. The Bible is God's Word written to you.

### TO KNOW GOD'S WORD

First, you must LET YOUR EARS HEAR GOD'S WORD AND BELIEVE IT.
Second, LET YOUR MOUTH SAY THE WORDS THAT GOD HAS SAID.
Third, Tell your mind to THINK ABOUT WHAT GOD HAS SAID.
When you think about what God has said, HIS WORD GOES INSIDE YOUR HEART. And your heart will help you love like God.

If you would like God, your heavenly Father to help you to know Him and the Words He has said, you can pray and say these words after me, or you can pray to God in your own words. Ready. Let's pray!

**PRAYER**

**Father,**

*(Pause for Children to Repeat)*

**I want to know You**

*(Pause)*

**Will you help me?**

*(Pause)*

**I want to hear and believe You**

*(Pause)*

**Will You teach me to say**

*(Pause)*

**what You have said every day?**

*(Pause)*

**Thank You Father!**

*(Pause)*

**Will you help me**

*(Pause)*

**to think about Your Word?**

*(Pause)*

**Thank You Father!**

*(Pause)*

**Will You let Your Word**

*(Pause)*

**change my heart**

*(Pause)*

**so I will love like You?**

*(Pause)*

**Thank You for hearing me**

*(Pause)*

**and answering my prayer!**

*(Pause)*

**I love You!**

*(Pause)*

**Amen.**

## WHAT DID GOD SAY?

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### LESSON 2

#### LEARNING SCRIPTURES FOR OUR BOOKS

##### PARENT/TEACHER SCRIPT:

Does anyone have something good to tell us that God did for you from His Word?

*(Listen to the testimonies of the children)*

We are going to add a new scripture to our What Did God Say books?

*(Show children the Lesson 2 Scripture and let children know these are some Words God said)*

**Our new scripture is: "True love is God's love for us, not our love for God. He sent His Son as the way to take away our sins."**

What do you think God means when He said, "True love is God's love for us, not our love for God. He sent His Son as the way to take away our sins"? *(Listen to Responses)*

Adam and Eve sinned when they did not believe their Father's Words and disobeyed Him. After Adam and Eve sinned, almost everyone began to sin, but God never stopped loving Adam, Eve, and all people. God promised to send His Son to take away our sins.

Why do you think God promised to send His Son Jesus? *(Listen to Responses)*

God's love is a true agape love. He wants everyone to know His awesome heavenly love. He does not want anyone to be hurt by choosing not to believe His love for you. So Father said He would send His Son to die in your place, and take away all sins so you could live and choose to know Him. This is why He said, "True love is God's love for us, not our love for God." For when we were sinning, He loved us and promised to send His Son Jesus to take away our sins. God's love is big and true.

Let's say this scripture boldly together. **True love** *[children repeat]* **is God's love for us,** *[children repeat]* **not our love for God.** *[children repeat]* **He sent His Son** *[children repeat]* **as the way** *[children repeat]* **to take away our sins.** Let's say it again! *(Repeat Scripture)*

Have you ever had someone to tell you they love you? *(Listen to responses)*

Your Father in heaven loves you with a love that is not like the love on earth. His love is called agape love. Agape love is a heavenly amazing love.

Repeat after me! **God loves me** *[children repeat]* **and He sent His Son Jesus** *[children repeat]* **to take away my sins.**

Did you know that God's love is true? *[Listen to responses]*

It is so true that the more you say what God has said, the power in God's words will go into your heart to live. And you will know the truth. And the truth is God loves you!

Let's say the scripture together again. **True love** *[children repeat]* **is God's love for us,** *[children repeat]* **not our love for God.** *[children repeat]* **He sent His Son** *[children repeat]* **as the way** *[children repeat]* **to take away our sins.** Let's say it again! *(Repeat Scripture)*

*Ask children to take out their books. [CHILDREN WHO DID NOT BRING THEIR NOTE BOOKS, let them write their scripture on paper. Tell them to put it in their book when they get home.] [Provide notebooks for new children or make new book templates for this lesson.]*

Write God's Words in your book.

Everyday read your book out and declare and say God's Words so your ears can Hear His Words!

Every day pay attention and watch God do what He said because you believed Him, and you said what He said.

When you see God do what He said, write or draw a picture in your book about the good things God did for you.

And come tell us about it.

*(If children are using notebooks, remind them to bring them back so they can continue to write more Words that God said in it.)*

Let's Sing these Words God Said: *(Sing to the tune of "If you're happy and you know it")*

**True love is God's love for us. Not our love for God!**

**True love is God's love for us. Not our love for God!**

**He sent His Son, as the way to take away our sins.**

**True love is God's love for us.**

[Repeat Several Times]

**SONG: GOD LOVES ME!**

*(Sung to the tune of Barney Song) (Do motions to Song)*

**YOU LOVE ME!**

*[Point upward, then to self]*

**I LOVE YOU!**

*[Point to self and upward]*

**YOU MAKE MY HEART GO PITTER-PAT!**

*[Point up, touch heart, Clap hands as you say pitter-pat]*

**YOU LOVED ME FIRST**

*[Point upward, then to self]*

**AND I LOVE YOU BACK!**

*[Kiss your hands and blow kisses up to Father]*

**YOU MAKE MY HEART GO PITTER-PAT!**

*[Point up, touch your heart, then clap hands as you say pitter-pat]*

**I LOVE YOU FATHER!**

*[Lift both hands up and SHOUT]*

*Scriptures:*

*1 John 4:10; 1 Corinthians 13:8; John 3:16; 2 John 1:6*