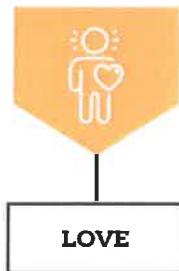


Preschool Lesson Template

Where	Who and What	What you Need
Classroom	Teacher takes attendance Give students a sticker	Paper on table, check off who is here, put onto the clipboard
	.Play a listening game: See page 72 #1	
	Color worksheet John 3:16	
Large Group	Large Group Time: Leader is Amanda. She'll get you when ready.	
	Coloring sheet or play.	
	Give frames and postcards for memory work for those who don't have one yet (ask the kids)	



THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

LOVE God because of what we learned

1 PLAY A LISTENING GAME



Direct preschoolers to spread out around the room. Say the key passage phrase for the preschoolers. Say a few words and encourage children to repeat it after you say it. Instruct preschoolers to follow your commands. Say the phrase, "We know God loves us (consider saying children's names in place of "us"), so hop around the room." Encourage children to hop around the room. Continue the game saying, "We know God loves us, so (insert a movement)" with other examples such as give a high five to friends, turn around, sit down, try to stand on one foot (encourage children to hold on to something if needed), and say, "Jesus." To extend the activity, suggest children take turns giving commands to the group.

SAY God loves us. God sent His Son, Jesus, to the world because He loves us! God loves us when we stand, hop around the room, and even try to stand on one foot. God always loves us. Our key passage phrase reminds us that God showed us He loves us by sending Jesus. Who can you tell about God's love today?

2 SORT DAY AND NIGHT ITEMS

Gather items preschoolers use during the day or night such as a toothbrush, a teddy bear, children's pajamas, play food, nightlight, sunglasses, and a ball or other toy. Place the items in a pillowcase. Lay a piece of black construction paper and a piece of yellow construction paper on a table for children to use as sorting mats. Invite preschoolers to sort items. Tell them there are items in the pillowcase. They will reach into the pillowcase and pull out an item. If the item is used during the day, instruct them to place it on the yellow paper. If it is used at night, lead them to place it on the black paper. For items that are used both day and night, guide the preschoolers to place them between the two groups.

SAY You decided which items are used during the day and night. We learned in our Bible story that one night, a man named Nicodemus went to visit Jesus. Jesus said that God loved the world so He sent His Son, Jesus. Whoever believes in Jesus will have life with God forever!

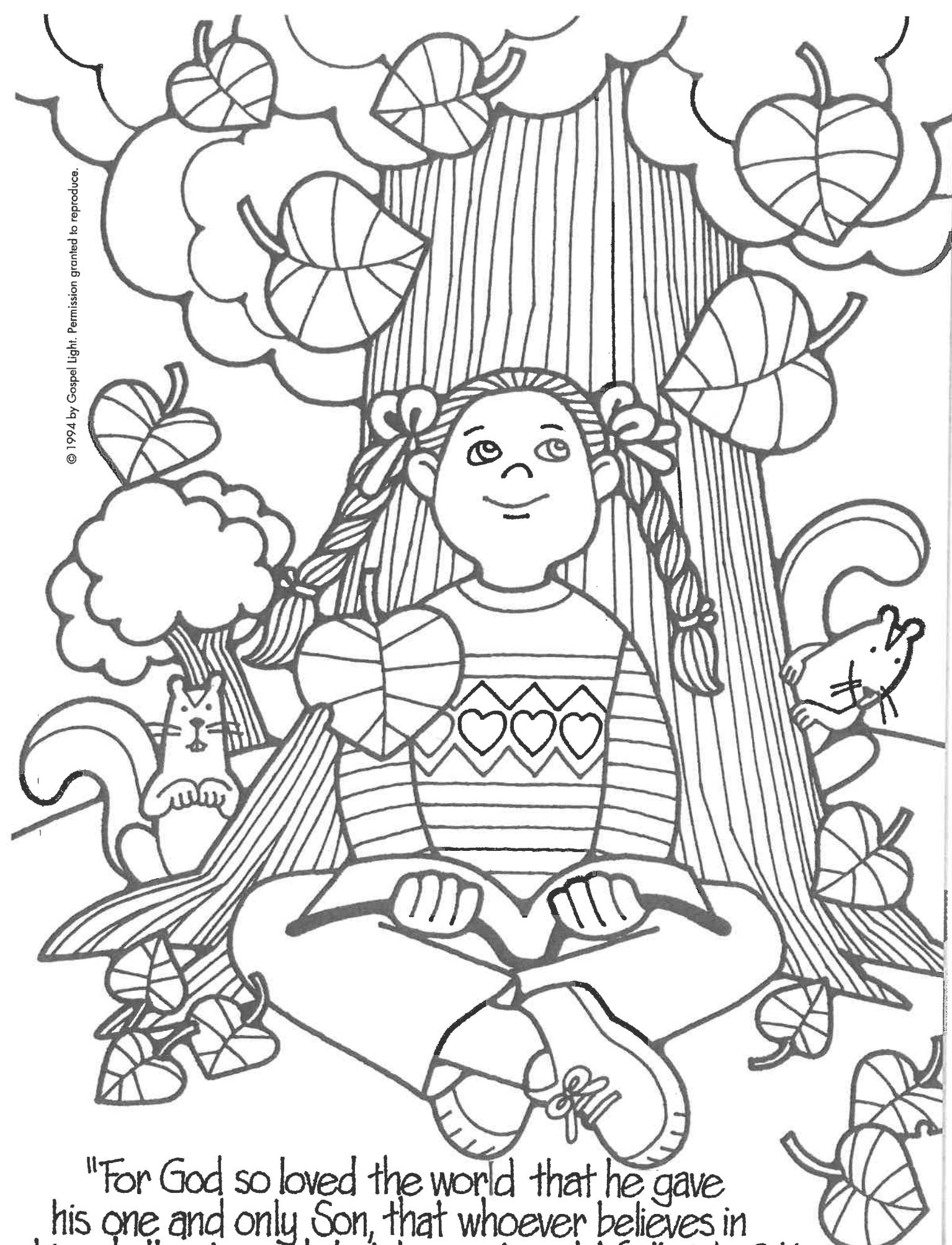
3 DECORATE A PARTY HAT

Provide each preschooler with a party hat. Gather supplies for children to decorate their hats such as stickers, pom-poms, glue sticks, and rolls of decorative tape. Guide preschoolers to decorate their party hats. Talk about the Bible story.

SAY You worked hard to decorate your party hat. We might wear a hat like this at a birthday party. When we celebrate birthdays, we celebrate the day someone is born. Jesus talked to Nicodemus about being born again. Jesus was not talking about when a baby is born. Jesus was talking about a change that happens on the inside when we trust in Jesus. Jesus said that God loved the world so He went His Son, Jesus. Whoever believes in Jesus will have life with God forever!

Transition from **LOVE** to **LIVE**





"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16