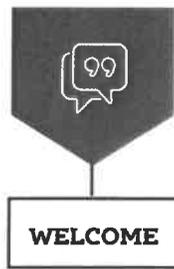


Preschool Lesson Template

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
	Is it love? Put a line of masking tape on the floor. Read out examples "is it love?" Kids go onto the side if it is showing love.	See p. 89 for more examples
Large Group	Large Group Time: Leader is Sophie. She'll get you when ready.	
	Decorate the paper that says Jesus loves me with stickers and heart stamps.	



WELCOME Preschoolers

Post an allergy alert, if needed. Set out supplies to engage preschoolers as they arrive. Play music as you welcome preschoolers. Greet children by name at eye level. Follow your church's security procedures.

1 ACTIVITY PAGE

Lead preschoolers to complete "Find the Message" on the activity page.

SAY "When you colored each space with a heart, you revealed the message God is Love! We will learn more about this message in our Bible story today."

2 SESSION STARTER

Use one or both of the following options to engage curiosity about today's Bible story.

PLAY "DOES IT SHOW LOVE?"



Instruct children to stand on a line. Use a line that is already on the floor like a tile line or make a line on the floor using masking tape. Explain to the children that you will tell them a situation, then they will go to one side of the line if it shows love and to the other if it does not show love. Examples include the following: "you wait patiently for your turn," "you draw on someone else's picture," "you throw a tantrum when you don't get your way," "you help wash dishes."

SAY "Wow! You did a great job deciding if each situation showed love or not. In our Bible story today, we will learn what love is and where it comes from. Do you have any ideas?"

CUT OUT HEART SHAPES

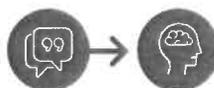
Provide small sheets of paper in various colors. Demonstrate how you can fold the paper in half and draw a half of a heart on one side. Assist children in doing this themselves if they are able. Then show the children how to cut it out and reveal the heart shape. Help with cutting as needed, but encourage the children to try by themselves. Ask the children what they think of when they see a heart shape.

SAY "Look at all these hearts we cut out! You did great with the scissors! What do you think of when you see these heart shapes? I think of love! Today we will learn how God is love. I can't wait to share the Bible story with you today."

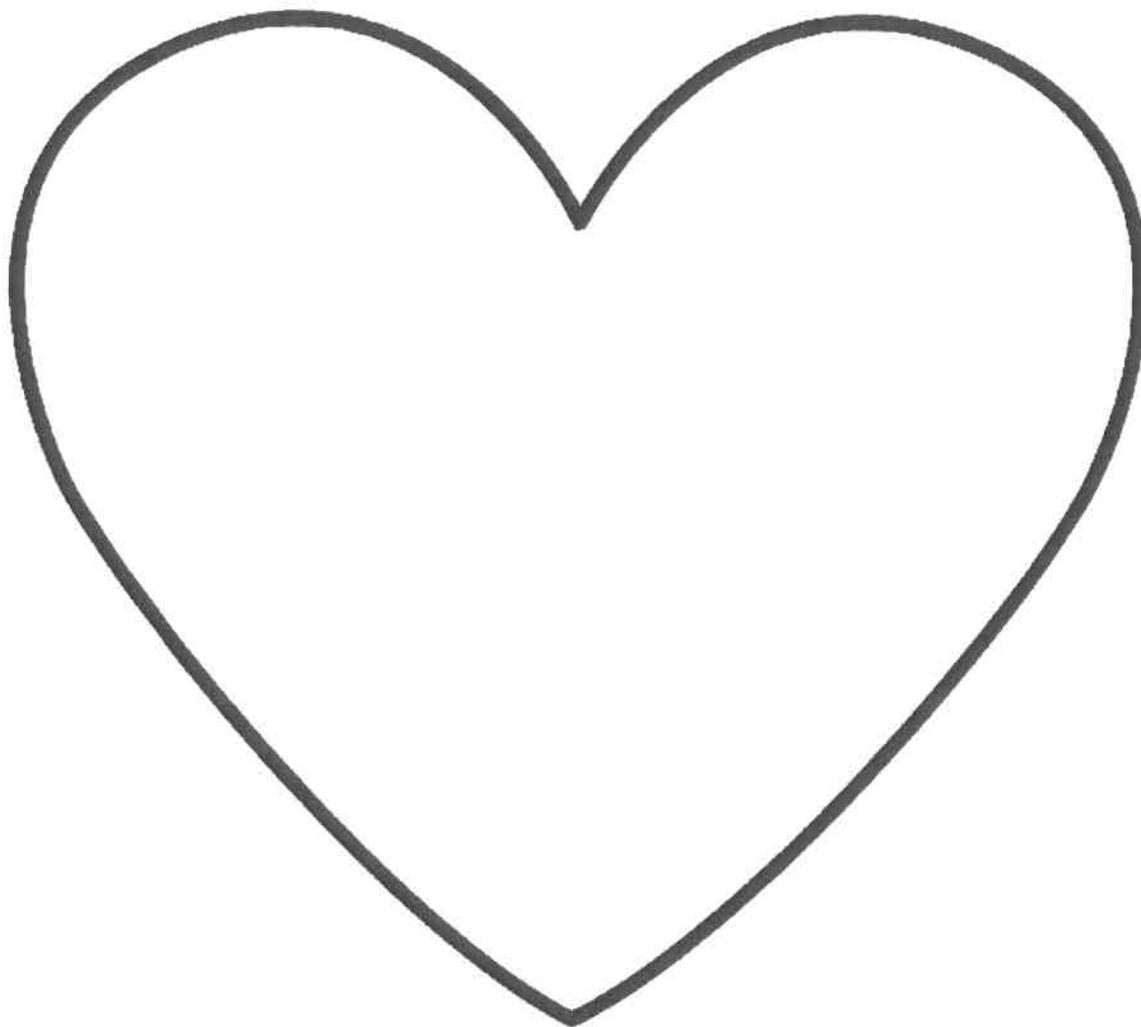
3 TRANSITION TO LEARN

Gain preschoolers' attention by showing the countdown video, turning the lights off and on, or clapping a simple rhythm for children to copy. Invite preschoolers to pretend to clang cymbals as you transition to Learn.

Transition from **WELCOME** to **LEARN**



Jesus



Loves Me

