UNFAILING LOVE

GENERATE 2027

Theme Scripture:

"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever." - Psalm 136:1

Theme Overview:

Every person longs to be loved. We all want to be known, chosen, and valued not only when we are at our best but also when we are at our worst. So, we seek love in friendships, relationships, success, and everything else we think might make us feel whole. But even the best things in life can let us down. People fail us. Circumstances change. And the love we try to build on our own never seems to last.

The truth is, we were created for a deeper kind of love. One that doesn't depend on how good we are, how strong we feel, or how well we perform. We were created for the *Unfailing Love* of God. When we talk about God's *Unfailing Love*, we are describing a love that is steadfast, faithful, and unchanging. A love that does not quit, does not run out, and cannot be broken. It is a love that holds on, even when everything else lets go. This is the love that knew us before we were born, pursues us when we wander, and refuses to give up on us when we fall short. It is the love that sent Jesus to restore our broken relationship with God and to give us new life.

God's *Unfailing Love* becomes the standard by which every other kind of love is measured, because God doesn't just have love; He is love. But this love is not something we can earn. It is something we receive, and when we experience it, it should change how we see ourselves, others, and how we reflect God's *Unfailing Love* to the world.

Session 1: A Story of Concern

What We Want Students To Learn: God knows you, loves you, and has already begun working in your life, even when you feel unready, uncertain, or unimportant.
Scripture: Jeremiah 1:1-10, Psalm 139, James 1:27, Luke 4:18-21
Session Snapshot: This session introduces students to a God whose love didn't begin when they believed or behaved, but before they were ever born. Through the story of Jeremiah's calling, students will see that God's *Unfailing Love* is intentional, personal, and already at work in their lives, even in their moments of weakness and fear. God doesn't wait for us to be ready; He moves toward us first, inviting us to stop measuring His love by how we feel or perform and instead to recognize that we have always stood under His love.

Session 2: A Story of Commitment

What We Want Students To Learn: God's love doesn't disappear when we sin, fail, or walk away. Instead, He actively pursues us with love rather than rejection.
Scripture: Hosea 3:1-5, Romans 5:8, Ephesians 2:8-9, Luke 19:10
Session Snapshot: God's *Unfailing Love* moves toward us, and we see this truth repeated in Scripture. Through Hosea's pursuit of Gomer, students will see a picture of a God who buys back those who have walked away. God does not wait for us to fix ourselves before He loves us; His grace comes first. This challenges the belief that our mistakes disqualify us from God's love. Through the story of Hosea, students will be invited to understand that His relentless pursuit of us does not change, no matter how inconsistent our love for him is.

Session 3: A Story of Conflict

What We Want Students To Learn: That what we think about God affects who we become.
Scripture: Luke 15:11-32, Titus 2:11-12, Romans 2:4, James 1:22
Session Snapshot: This session will show students that God's *Unfailing Love* is not based on what we have done, but on who He is. In the story of the waiting father, both the son who ran away and the son who stayed home are lost in different ways. The father's response points us to Jesus, who paid the price for our sin so we could be welcomed back. God doesn't wait for us to get our lives together before He loves us. The story of the waiting father invites us to stop trying to earn God's *Unfailing Love* and see that it is unconditional.

Session 4: A Story of Completion

What We Want Students To Learn: God, as the writer of life, is faithful to finish what He starts, even when life is painful, confusing, or unfair.
Scripture: Genesis 45:1-15, 50:15-23, Philippians 1:6, Isaiah 46:10, Lamentations 3:22-23
Session Snapshot: God is faithful to complete every work He begins. Joseph's story reminds us that God's *Unfailing Love* is not interrupted by suffering, betrayal, or long seasons of waiting. What others intended for harm, God used to accomplish His good purposes, not only to restore Joseph, but to reconcile a broken family. God's *Unfailing Love* transforms us over time, shaping our hearts to reflect His own. When we truly receive that love, it moves beyond us, empowering us to forgive and extend grace to others the way God has extended grace to us.