

COME FOLLOW JESUS.

// *Walk in love. Love others.*

JESUS' EXAMPLE:

- **Jesus heals/raises the sick girl.** // Mark 5:21-43, Matthew 9:18-26, Luke 8:40-56
- **Jesus feeds the 5,000.** // Matthew 14:13-21, Mark 6:31-44, Luke 9:12-17, John 6:1-14
- **Jesus heals the Roman soldier's ear.** // Luke 22:49-51

1 John 3:16-18 (NIV) - *This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.*

Ephesians 5:1-2 (ESV) - *Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.*

Matthew 22:36-40 (NIV) - *"the second [greatest commandment] is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself."*

Matthew 5:44-45a (NIV) - *"Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven."*

Romans 5:5 (NIV) - *God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.*

PRAYER TIME

Read this scripture with your children: *Be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us...* (Ephesians 5:1-2)

Explain:

- Jesus wants us to walk in love like He did. (Explain "imitate" if you want)
- This means loving every person we encounter – Mom, Dad, siblings, friends, neighbors, strangers, and even enemies.
- We love by ... being kind, having compassion, forgiving others, sharing what we have, etc.
- We love with our words and actions.

Our Prayer:

- Fill our children with the desire to love like You do - to be imitators and reflections of You. (Ephesians 5:1-2, 1 John 3:16-18)
- Help our children love everyone they encounter, even understanding to love and pray for their enemies. (Matthew 5:44)
- May our children receive your Holy Spirit to receive Your love, delight in your ways, and bear your fruit. (Romans 5:5, Psalm 1:2-3, Galatians 5:22-23)

Priesthood Play Dates

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This Spring...

As we behold who Jesus is in prayer, worship and fellowship, may we become more like Him, transformed from glory to glory. Our hope is for our children to better understand how we can follow Jesus, by His example, Word and leading of His Spirit. That way, we can greatly shine His truth and light into the world for all to see, for the glory of the Father.

- But we all, with unveiled face **beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory** – just as from the Lord, who is the Spirit. (2 Corinthians 3:18 TLV)
 - My sheep listen to my voice; **I know them, and they follow me.** I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.” (John 10:27 ESV)
 - “You call me ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and rightly so, for that is what I am... **I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you...** Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.” (John 13:13-17 NIV)
 - **You are the light of the world... let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.**
(Matthew 5:14-16 ESV)
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REPENT & BELIEVE. *Receive eternal life!*



WALK IN LOVE. *Love God.*



WALK IN LOVE. *Love others.*



WALK IN FORGIVENESS. *Forgive others always.*



WALK IN KINDNESS AND COMPASSION. *Help others be better.*



WALK IN PRAYER. *Always talk with God.*



WALK IN TRUTH.



WALK IN HIS LIGHT. GO SHINE IT!