

**Kidz World's
Church at Home
'REAL LOVE' – The Greatest Commandment!**

FUN TIME: "Catch Love"

What You Need: Crumpled paper balls in two different colors (you can also draw a heart on half the paper balls if colored paper is not available), one blindfold & one container for each team.

What You Will Do: Tell your children which of the two colors is the "love" ball. Have each pair stand at least three feet apart. Designate one child as the thrower and the other as the catcher. Have the thrower wear a blindfold, then give him or her a bucket filled with paper balls of both colors. When you say, "Ready, set, LOVE!" the thrower grabs a paper ball from the bucket and throws it toward the catcher. The catcher will try to catch only the "love" paper balls with their bucket, and the pair who catches the most "love" paper balls wins! If there's only one team, set a goal for the number of 'love' balls to catch in 30 seconds. **Say:** Just like you were able to choose which paper balls to catch, we can choose who and when to love. We love everyone, all the time!

BIBLE TIME:

Today, we're finishing up this series about Real Love, which can only come from God. A long time ago, God gave Moses the Ten Commandments so that he could tell others how God wants us to live. Do you know what's on here? (*Allow for responses*) There's a lot! Some of them are "Worship God only," "Honor your parents," "Do not steal," and "Do not lie" (*See Exodus 20*). The Ten Commandments were passed down from generation to generation for many years. Fast forward hundreds of years later... Jesus appears on the scene, and as the Son of God, He knew all the answers. Let's see what Jesus had to say when asked a very important question.

READ: Mark 12:28-34

Familiarize yourself with the Bible passage and summarize it for your younger children. Read it with older children. For toddlers and preschoolers, simply share the answers to these questions with them as you summarize the Bible story. Keep it short and sweet for them 😊.

1. What does Jesus say is the greatest commandment?
2. What about the second greatest commandment?
3. What is something you can do to love God with all your heart and soul this week?
4. What is something you can do to love God with all your mind and strength this week?

REAL TIME: Love is the best choice. At the end of the day, God wants us to be committed. Making God happy should always be our number one goal. We do this by thinking about every choice we make. And just in case you get lost among all the choices you have to make each day, you can be sure of one thing— love is always the best choice!

Read 1 Corinthians 13:8. Think of a time when you didn't treat someone the way you would have wanted to be treated. Did you really win the argument or the fight? Anything done without love doesn't give us what we really need. We wind up disappointing God too. So let's choose love. It never fails and is always the best choice!

PRAYER TIME: “Dear God, thank You for giving us the greatest commandments. Help us to love You with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Show us also how to choose to love everyone around us the way You want us to. In Jesus’ Name, amen!”

“1 Corinthians 13:8 (KJV) “Love never fails.”