



JANUARY THEME



BIBLE STORY

Matthew 22:36-40

The Greatest | Greatest Commandment
Spark Story Bible, pg. 308-309
The Greatest Commandment, part 1

BOTTOM LINE

Love God. Love others.

MEMORY VERSE

“Whoever can be trusted with very little
can also be trusted with much.”
Luke 16:10a (NIV)

LIFE APP

Responsibility | Showing you can be
trusted with what is expected of you

BASIC TRUTH

I should treat others the way I want to be
treated...and with Jesus’ help, I can!



•• **THURSDAY 01/07**

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Matthew 22:36-38

TALK | Jesus teaches us something very important in these words, which make up the first part of the Greatest Command: love God. We are called to put God first, at the center of our lives. How have you done this today?

PRAY | For your family’s highs and lows, for our world’s leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with LOVE for God and for others...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus’ love: “You are a loved child of God,” “Jesus loves you and so do I,” or the baptismal promise: “You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever.”

•• **FRIDAY 01/08**

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Matthew 22:39-40

TALK | These verses are the second part of the Greatest Command: love others. And do you know what’s neat? In doing this, we live out the first part: love God. How have you loved others today?

PRAY | For your family’s highs and lows, for our world’s leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with LOVE for God and for others...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus’ love: “You are a loved child of God,” “Jesus loves you and so do I,” or the baptismal promise: “You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever.”

•• **SATURDAY 01/09**

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Psalm 31:23

TALK | How do you show others you love them? How to you show God your love? Make a list of ways you might show God’s love to others this week.

PRAY | For your family’s highs and lows, for our world’s leaders to make



wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with LOVE for God and for others...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus' love: "You are a loved child of God," "Jesus loves you and so do I," or the baptismal promise: "You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever."

•• SUNDAY 01/10

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | 1 Peter 4:8

TALK | Who are the "one anothers" in your life? The people you see each day: at work, at school, at the store, on the bus. What does it mean that we are called to love them deeply? How might these verses change how you interact with others?

PRAY | For your family's highs and lows, for our world's leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with LOVE for God and for others...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus' love: "You are a loved child of God," "Jesus loves you and so do I," or the baptismal promise: "You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever."

•• MONDAY 01/11

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | 1 John 4:19

TALK | This verse reminds us why we love: we love because we are loved. It's at the heart of the Greatest Command: love God. Love others. Rest with this verse today.

PRAY | For your family's highs and lows, for our world's leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with LOVE for God and for others...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus' love: "You are a loved child of God," "Jesus loves you and so do I," or the baptismal promise: "You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever."

•• TUESDAY 01/12

SHARE | Highs and Lows...what was great about today? What was tough?

READ | Luke 16:10a

TALK | This month's Memory Verse reminds us why we love: it's our responsibility, our calling, as Christ-followers. We have been trusted with loving others with God's love. How will you do that today?

PRAY | For your family's highs and lows, for our world's leaders to make wise choices, for health and healing, for anything/anyone else who needs prayer, for a heart filled with LOVE for God and for others...

BLESS | Seal each other with the sign of the cross on foreheads or hands, saying something that reminds you about Jesus' love: "You are a loved child of God," "Jesus loves you and so do I," or the baptismal promise: "You have been sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit and marked by the Cross of Christ forever."

•• WHAT'S NEXT

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