

Love



SAY Jesus is the demonstration of God's love, and at Advent, we light candles to remind ourselves of the light of hope, promise of peace, joy of salvation, and overwhelming love he brought to us.

ASK What is love?

EXPLAIN Love is when you care more about others than yourself. It's sacrifice. The Bible tells us that God is love.

LIGHT the first, second, third, and fourth candles of your wreath.

SAY These candles represent hope, peace, joy, and love. When Jesus came, he showed us how much God loves you.

READ & DISCUSS John 3:16-17 and Romans 5:8

PRAY O Lord, our God, thank you for your unfailing, steadfast love. Thank you for loving us enough to die for us. Help us to love you with our whole hearts. Enable us to love our neighbors with your great love. Help us to be yours as we wait for you to come again. We love you. Amen.

FURTHER DISCUSSION Do you love anyone enough to die for them? Where are some ways we can show God's love to one another? To our neighbors? To our friends?

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John 3:16-17

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. "Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Romans 5:8

But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.