

UNIT 1

SESSION 4

Jesus Told About a Loving Father

UNIT VERSE

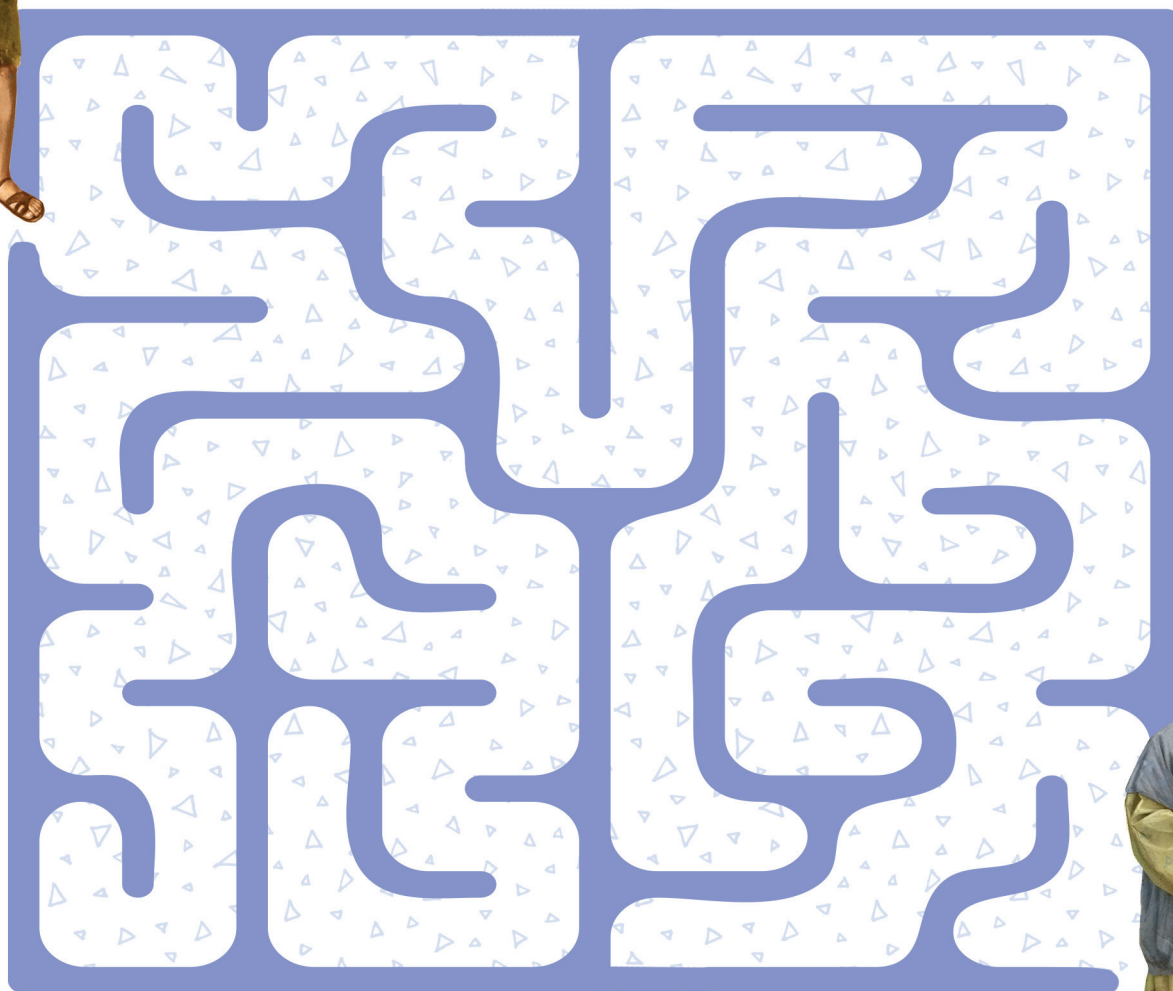
God sent Jesus to teach
the good news.

—LUKE 4:18



Help the Son Find the Father

Jesus told a story about a son who left his family. The son made wrong choices. He realized he was wrong and decided to go home. His father welcomed him home. Draw a line from the son to the father.



Trace a Name

Jesus taught that God always loves us just like the father loved his son in the Bible story. Trace the letters of *God* with your finger or a crayon.



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CONVERSATION

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BASED ON LUKE 15:11-32

WEEKLY VERSE: We know God loves us. *1 John 4:16*

LIFE POINT: Jesus taught that God always loves.



THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Parents, today your child learned that Jesus taught that God always loves us. In the parable of the loving father, Jesus taught that God loves His children and wants them to return to Him.

LIVE IT OUT

Review the Bible story with your child. Remind him that God loves people the way the father loved his son. Say with your child the verse “We know God loves us. *1 John 4:16.*” Repeat several times.

LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

Jesus taught people about what God is like.

DAILY BIBLE READING

Sunday: 1 John 4:9

Monday: Jeremiah 31:3

Tuesday: John 15:9

Wednesday: Psalm 136:26

Thursday: Ephesians 2:4-5

Friday: Nehemiah 1:5

Saturday: 1 John 4:7

Jesus was teaching people about God’s love. He told a story about a father and his two sons.

“The younger son told his father he wanted his part of the family money and property. The father gave the son what he asked for. The son took all that was his and moved far away. He began to do many wrong things. He spent all his money. He did not have any food to eat, so he went to work taking care of pigs. The son remembered that his father’s workers had food to eat. He decided to go home and work for his father.

“While the son was still far away, the father saw him. The father ran to him and hugged and kissed him. The son said that he had done many wrong things. He said, ‘I should no longer be your son.’

“The father did not listen. He called to his helpers to bring the best robe and sandals for his son. He told the helpers to cook a big dinner. The father wanted to celebrate because his son had come home.”

Jesus wanted the people to know that God is a loving Father like the father in the story.

TAKE IT FURTHER: Check out the *Jesus Told About a Loving Father* section of the Bible Studies for Life: Kids Family App.

