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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 1



Big Service Idea:

We show God's love when we serve others.

Big Bible:

Jesus is a servant
John 13:1-17

Big Verse:

"Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet."
John 13:14



Family Discussion:

- Share a time when you helped and it was fun.
- Did you feel like you were serving God and helping Him too?
- How does God feel when we help Him?



Family Challenge: This week as a family talk about one way that you can help someone in your community (school, church, neighborhood). Take the time to do it this week and discuss the above again.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 2



Big Service Idea:

We can help others carry their burdens.

Big Bible:

Simon carries Jesus' cross
Matthew 27:27-32

Big Verse:

"Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ."
Galatians 6:2



Family Discussion:

- Discuss a time someone carried something heavy for you. How did that make you feel?
- Does Jesus carry anything heavy for us? What does He carry?



Family Challenge: This week as a family, help each other with chores around the house or yard. If someone you know is sick, elderly or could use some help with shopping, gardening or household chores offer to help them.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 3



Big Service Idea:

We serve God when we share His love with others.

Big Bible:

They day Jesus died
Matthew 27:34-56

Big Verse:

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life."
John 3:16



Family Discussion:

- Share a time you did something loving for someone.
- How did you feel after you had done that for them?



Family Challenge: This week as a family go to Garry Chapman's www.5lovelanguages.com and find out what each of your love languages are. Then make a plan to tell each other, in their top love language, I love you five times this week. At the end of the week talk about how this made you feel and would you like to continue doing this in the future? What would be better?

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 4



Big Service Idea:
We serve God when we tell others about Jesus.

Big Bible:

Jesus comes to life again.
Matthew 27:57-61;
28:1-10,16-20

Big Verse:

"He said to them, 'Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.'
Mark 16:15



Family Discussion:

- Share a time you told a story about Jesus to your friend. How did you feel after you told the story?
- Who can you tell about Jesus this week?



Family Challenge: This week as a family share how you came to know Jesus. Then together think about and make a list of ways that you can share Jesus with the people in your life. Pick three things from the list each that you are going to do to share Jesus with others this week. Report back at the end of the week. What went well? What didn't go so well? Why?

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 5



Big Service Idea:
We serve God
when we take care
of others.

Big Bible:
Jesus makes
breakfast for His
friends
John 21:1-17

Big Verse:
"Again Jesus said...
do you truly love me?"
..."Take care of my
sheep."
John 21:16



Family Discussion:

- Share a time when someone looked after you because you were sick. How did you feel being looked after?
- Who looks after us every day?



Family Challenge: God created us to serve Him by taking care of others. This week as a family take the time to care for someone else/each other. Simple things like helping with the chores, inviting someone over for a meal, walking the dog often, saying hello to a neighbour. Report back at the end of the week how it went.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 6



Big Community Idea:
People in God's
family want to do
His will.

Big Bible:
Noah builds a boat
Genesis 6

Big Verse:
"Teach me to do
your will, for you
are my God."
Psalm 143:10



Family Discussion:

- Talk about a time when you listened and did what you were asked to. How did that make you feel?



Family Challenge: This week as a family keep a God Encounters diary. Each time you see/feel the power/presence/guidance of God in your day write it down in your God Encounters diary. On Friday night have family worship and each share a couple of your favourite God Encounters of the week. Say a prayer thanking God for His love, commitment and for revealing Himself to you all throughout the week.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 7



Big Community Idea:

People in God's family wait patiently together for Him.

Big Bible:

The animals enter the ark
Genesis 7

Big Verse:

"Work together as a team for the faith."
Phillipians 1:27



Family Discussion:

- Share a time you had to wait for something. How did you feel?
- Who is waiting for us to go to Heaven?



Family Challenge: As a family read about heaven. Talk, write, draw, think about what heaven will be like. Share what is most exciting about heaven for you?

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 8



Big Community Idea:

People in God's family wait patiently together for Him.

Big Bible:

Noah, the animals, and his family wait in the ark
Genesis 8:1-14

Big Verse:

"Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up."
Galatians 6:9



Family Discussion:

- What can we do to help others know about Jesus while we are waiting for Him to come again?
- Discuss how your family can help someone this week.



Family Challenge: This week write the memory verse on a large piece of paper, decorate and then display in a prominent place somewhere in your home. To remind everyone not to give up doing good while we are waiting for God to come back.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 9



Big Community Idea:

God's people rejoice because He cares for them.

Big Bible:
God puts a rainbow in the sky
Genesis 8:15-22;
9:8-17

Big Verse:
"I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and you."
Genesis -:13



Family Discussion:

- Share a time when you saw the best rainbow?
- What did it look like? Who made the rainbow? Why?



Family Challenge: As a family this week take the time to go on a rainbow chasing expedition. If the weather is too nice for rainbows, as a family, have a picnic in your park and blow giant bubbles. Invite another family to join you if you. If you have camera take pictures of the rainbow in the bubbles and put them on your wall as a reminder of God's promise to us.,

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 10



Big Worship Idea:
We worship God when we enjoy keeping the Sabbath.

Big Bible:
God sends manna
Exodus 16

Big Verse:
"If you call the Sabbath a delight... you will find joy in the Lord."
Isaiah 58:13-14



Family Discussion:

- Talk about special things you do when you worship God by keeping the Sabbath for Him.
- How do you feel?



Family Challenge: As a family make a plan early in the week for what you can do this Sabbath to make it extra special for you all (i.e. a special meal with friends, a special outing, contributing in church, serving the community in some way etc.). At the end of sabbath talk about what you liked about the day and make a plan to do something special the following Sabbath.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 11



Big Worship Idea:

We worship God when we have faith in Him.

Big Bible:

God heals all who look at the bronze snake.
Numbers 21:4-9

Big Verse:

"Have faith in God."
Mark 11:22



Family Discussion:

- Have you ever had to do something you didn't want to do even though you knew it would help you?
- Share if it was hard or easy.



Family Challenge: Having faith in God and other people is hard sometimes. As family make a list of some of the people we have to have faith in (parents, doctors, police etc.). Once you have written this list get post it notes or paper squares and stick all the names to the wall in your house. Then pray for these people, asking God to lead them this week.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 12



Big Worship Idea:

We worship God when we choose to obey Him.

Big Bible:

Moses' last words of love
Deuteronomy 4,6, 28

Big Verse:

"Love the Lord your God and ... serve him with all your heart."
Deuteronomy 11:13



Family Discussion:

- Share a way you can obey someone this week.
- How can you obey God?
- What can you do to obey your parents too?



Family Challenge: Obedience is really important to people's safety. As a family take a short road trip to have a picnic, take a walk, fly a kite or whatever you enjoy doing together. Along the way talk about all the guidelines that we follow when we travel, play, eat etc. Say a prayer thanking God for the guidance that he gives us. Ask Him to help us to worship Him this week and every week by following the guidelines He has set out for us to follow.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 2, Week 13



Big Worship Idea:

We worship God when we follow His instructions.

Big Bible:

Balaam and the talking don-key
Numbers 22-24

Big Verse:

"If anyone loves me, he will obey my teachings."
John 14:23



Family Discussion:

- What happens if you don't follow instructions?
- How can we learn to follow instructions?



Family Challenge: As a family activity blindfold someone and set out an obstacle course in your house. Have family members direct the blindfolded person through the obstacle course using just verbal instructions. Or as a family go for an adventure exploring your neighbourhood, look for all the different instructions around the place to obey. Discuss the questions above.