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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 1



Big Service Idea:
Jesus' friends know
Him well.

Big Bible:
Matthias replaces
Judas
Acts 1

Big Verse:
You will be my
witnesses in Jerusalem,
and in all Judea and
Samaria, and to the
ends of the earth."
Acts 1:8."



Family Discussion:

- Talk about your best friend, what do you like about them the most?
- Discuss how Jesus can be your best friend too.
- How can you make that happen?



Family Challenge: This week as a family talk about how you like to communicate with others (words, actions, gifts etc.). Think about how you can use your preferred communication method to communicate with Jesus.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 2



Big Service Idea:
Prayer prepares us
for service.

Big Bible:
The upper room Acts
1:2:1-4

Big Verse:
"They all joined
together constantly in
prayer."
Acts 1:14



Family Discussion:

- Share your favourite place to pray.
- Why do you like praying there?
- Why do you enjoy praying?



Family Challenge: This week as a family keep a prayer wall. You will need post-it-notes or a black board or a white board. Every time you have a prayer write it down and put it on the wall, during the week keep adding things to the wall and pray for each other. Also as a family pick one service activity you can do together this week. Before you go and serve take time to pray together as a family.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 3



Big Service Idea:
God gives us skills
to serve Him.

Big Bible:
The Day of
Pentecost
Acts 2

Big Verse:
"I will pour out my
spirit on all people"
Acts 2:17



Family Discussion:

- Talk about something special you can do to serve God.
- What are your favourite things to do while you are serving?



Family Challenge: This week as a family make a list of all the things you can do together to serve God and others this week. Choose three things and make sure to do them. Make sure to discuss the above.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 4



Big Service Idea:
God gives us gifts
so we can help
others.

Big Bible:
The early church
Acts 2:42-47

Big Verse:
"Serve wholeheartedly,
as if you were serving
the lord, not men."
Ephesians 6:7



Family Discussion:

- Share ways you can help others.
- Discuss new ways you could help others every day.
- God gives you gifts to help you help others, what are they?



Family Challenge: This week as a family write the memory verse on a large piece of paper or card, decorate it and place it on the wall in a place that you will see it every day. Talk about the difference gifts God has given to you that you are able to serve him with (What are you good at? What do you enjoy?) During the week keep a record of the times you have served. Discuss the above.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 5



Big Grace Idea:
When we organise our gifts, we serve God better.

Big Bible:
The seven deacons
Acts 6:1-7

Big Verse:
"There are difference kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service but the Same Lord."
1 Corinthians 12:4-5



Family Discussion:

- Talk about the special gifts that God gave you.
- Share with your family how you could use them better.



Family Challenge: As a family discuss the gifts that you talked about last week as a family. Together make a list of how you can help each use them better in the future. Parents: during this week write notes of encouragement to your kids. Put these notes in unexpected places for them to find i.e. lunch box, bathroom mirror, pocket of shirt.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 6



Big Grace Idea:
God never stops loving us.

Big Bible:
Saul made blind
Acts 9:1-9

Big Verse:
"I have loved you with an everlasting love."
Jeremiah 31:3



Family Discussion:

- Share a time you were shown forgiveness.
- How did it make you feel when you were forgiven?
- Share how you can forgive others and show them love too.



Family Challenge: This week as a family create a love heart chain (by fan folding a piece of paper 9 times and drawing a half heart. Leave a bit of paper on each side as you cut out the heart. Unfold it.). On each heart write the name of someone that you need to show God's grace to in your life (someone at school, work, family member etc. that you are finding hard to love). Place the heart chain on the wall somewhere you will see it often. Together pray that God will help you to love those people.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 7



Big Grace Idea:
God's love is like a light in the darkness

Big Bible:
Ananias visits Saul
Acts 9:10-19

Big Verse:
"This man is my
chosen instrument."
Acts 9:15



Family Discussion:

- Discuss how God is like a light in the darkness.
- How can God shine even though it is dark?
- Talk about ways you can shine God's love too.



Family Challenge: One night as a family go out and look at the stars. (If you can take a night time trip to the local park or beach where you can really see the stars.) Share a time when God's love was like a light in the darkness. Share stories, hot chocolate, cuddles and make some memories together. Say a prayer thanking God for His love.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 8



Big Grace Idea:
God's grace includes everyone.

Big Bible:
Barnabas and Saul in Antioch
Acts 11:19-26

Big Verse:
"God does not show
favouritism but accepts
men from every nation."
Acts 10:34-35



Family Discussion:

- Share a time you were shown forgiveness.
- How did it make you feel when you were forgiven?
- Share how you can forgive others and show them love too.



Family Challenge: This week as a family talk about groups, stereotypes (both good and bad). Talk about how you can love people who are in different groups to you. Share one strategy each that you will try this week to love someone in a group other than yours. At the end of the week report back.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 9



Big Grace Idea:

God send us as messengers of his grace.

Big Bible:
Paul and Barnabas
travel to cyprus
Acts 13:1-12

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:

- Discuss how the family forgives each other when they do something wrong. How do you feel when you hurt someone?
- Talk about how you can make them feel better.



Family Challenge: As a family have a forgiveness evening. Write or draw on a piece of paper something someone has done wrong to you and something you have done wrong to someone. Say a prayer and ask God to help you forgive that person and ask forgiveness if you need to. Once you have prayed, burn the pieces of paper and toast marshmallows over the fire.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 10



Big Community Idea:
God want's every
one to join His
family.

Big Bible:
Wife for Isaac
Genesis 24

Big Verse:
"The Lord...will send
his angel with you
and make your
journey a success."
Genesis 24:40



Family Discussion:

- Talk about someone in your family who doesn't love God.
- Discuss how you can help that person come to know and love God too.



Family Challenge: As a family talk about the people in your life that don't know Jesus. This week make a point of inviting them to something with your family i.e. a meal, trip to the park, the movies, to the beach, for a BBQ etc. Just spend time with these people and treat them with love and respect.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 11



Big Community Idea:

I can love people who are different from me.

Big Bible:

Jacob buys Esau's birth right
Gen. 25:19-34

Big Verse:

"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honour one another above yourselves."
Mark 11:22



Family Discussion:

- Discuss how many people you know who are different to you.
- How do you feel about people who are different?
- How can we love them too?



Family Challenge: As a family share something about each of you that is different (something good different, that is a gift). Parents affirm your child's uniqueness. As a family plan one activity this week you can all do together an enjoy, just your family. Talk about how differences can be a good thing. Pray thanking God for your differences.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 12



Big Community Idea:

Peoples in God's family are honest

Big Bible:

Jacob deceives Isaac
Genesis 17:1-45

Big Verse:

"Do not steal.
Do not lie. Do not deceive one another."
Leviticus 19:11



Family Discussion:

- Talk about a time when you were not honest.
- How did you feel after you weren't honest?
- Share how you can be honest in every situation.



Family Challenge: As a family discuss honesty. Honesty is more than just accurately reporting facts. It includes what you say, and it also includes what you don't say and your actions.

Sit down together an write out an honesty definition for your family. Place this definition on the wall in a prominent location so you will all be reminded daily to be honest with each other, others and God.

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Primary Year A, Quarter 3, Week 13



Big Community

Idea:

I belong in God's family no matter what happens.

Big Bible:

Jacob's ladder
Genesis 28:10-22

Big Verse:

"I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go."
Genesis 28:15



Family Discussion:

- Share how you think you are part of God's family.
- How can you make sure you are part of His family forever?



Family Challenge: As a family, plan something special to do together this Friday to open Sabbath. Share how it feels to be a part of your family ... What is good about your family? What do you love? What is something that you would like to change? Share how it feels to know that you belong to God's family. How does it make you feel? Make sure to say a prayer thanking God for wanting us to be a part of his family.