

# SPECIAL EDITION

## *Pastoring Your Kids*

---



### PLANNING YOUR WEEK:

# 1

Sunday

**CHURCH TIME**

# 2

Monday or Tuesday

**BIBLE TIME**

# 3

Thursday or Friday

**FAMILY TIME**

WEEK 2

## **AGAPE**

### **FOUR KINDS OF LOVE**

#### **MEMORY VERSE:**

John 13:34, "A new command I give you: love one another, as I have loved you, so you must also love one another..." (KJV)

#### **BOTTOM LINE:**

Agape love is God's love.

## 2. BIBLE TIME

### READ:

- John 13:14
- 1 Corinthians 13:4-8

### MAIN POINT:

When Jesus came He told us to obey one commandment, to love one another just as He loved us. Jesus was the perfect example of love; He gave His life for us. God showed us how much He loved us by sending His son to die on the cross for us. Even though there are different types of love, they all come from God. God is love and it's God's love that allows us to love others.

### **There are four different kinds of love the Bible talks about.**

*Agape – God's kind of love*

*Phileo – Friendship love*

*Storge - Affection (giving a hug or kiss)*

*Eros – Romantic love (mom / dad love)*

### QUESTIONS TO ASK:

1. Can you name something you've said you love (like pizza or a movie)?
2. Is your love for something the same as the God kind of love?
3. What do you think is a good example of the God kind of love?
4. Why do you think Jesus gave us just one commandment, to love one another?

## 3. FAMILY TIME

### HOW SWEET IT IS TO BE LOVED BY GOD

### MAIN POINT:

*God loves us no matter what!*

### WHAT YOU NEED:

Sugar, brown sugar, powdered sugar, corn syrup and small bowls

### WHAT YOU DO:

- Gather the family in the kitchen for a sugar "taste test".
- Put different sugars in separate bowls.
- Using pretzels or small sugar cookies, test the different types of sugar.
- Talk about which type of sugar everyone likes the most.

### DISCUSS:

- Explain there are different types of sugar used for different recipes. There are 4 types of sugar, but they are used in different ways.
- Discuss what type of sugar is used for what type of cooking or baking.
- There are 4 different types of love that the Bible talks about; even though they are different they are still all love.
- The different types of love are: Agape (the God kind of love), Phileo (friendship), Storge (affection), and Eros (romantic love).

### PUT IT TO USE:

- Have everyone mention a "relationship" they have with someone else.
- Then, have everyone guess what type of "love" is used with that relationship.
- Example: child and grandparent/storge, agape and phileo could all be used.