

Kensington Church's Response to the COVID-19 Situation:

KKids

Dear Kensington Families,

We hope you are safe and well in this first week of social distancing! The KKids team wants to make sure that you have an opportunity to engage your children in their spiritual growth by using our planned lessons. Each week, we will be sending out an email with links to watch the Elementary (grades K-5) and Early Childhood (ages 2-5) lessons. We hope you watch these as a family just like you would watch the live stream of our service. In addition, following the lesson we will give you a few questions to talk about as a family or an activity to try. We hope this can be a time of connection and growth as you engage in God's story together.

Thanks!

The Kensington Kids Team

March 22 | Early Childhood (ages 2-5)

Today's lesson tells about the 12 disciples who followed Jesus.

Memory verse: Matthew 4:19 "Come (motion toward yourself with hand) and follow me (march)," Jesus said (hands to mouth like yelling). Matthew 4:19. (Open hands like a book).

Click [here](#) to watch the video.

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Family Application Activity | Dance Party!

(An activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn)

What You Do:

- Before the Activity: Turn on some music.
- During the Activity: Play the music and encourage your children to dance in a line with you while playing following the leader. Repeat so that everyone in the family gets a turn to be the leader.

What You Say:

- Before the Activity: "Let's dance!"
- During the Activity: "When you hear the music, start dancing while we play Follow the Leader. Ready? Follow me!" (Do activity)
- After the Activity: "Great job! We can ALL follow Jesus! Who can you follow?" Kids: "I can follow Jesus!"

March 22 | Elementary (grades K-5)

Today's story is a parable about two brothers. Jesus told it as a way to help people understand something important about forgiveness (Luke 15:11-24)

Memory Verse: Put up with (or bear with) one another. Forgive one another. If you are holding something against someone, forgive, just as the Lord forgave you (Colossians 3:13).

Click [here](#) to watch video.

Application | What You Say:

"Why do you think Jesus told this story? How does our heavenly Father act like the earthly father in this story? (Pause for kids to respond and discuss.) The father in this parable had every right to be angry. While his father was still living, the son had asked for his inheritance, which is something that is only given when someone dies! And what did the son do with that hard-earned money? He wasted it. The father could have refused to see him or, at the very least, let him come back home only as a servant. But what did the father do instead? The father ran to his son, hugged him, and forgave him. He was so happy to see his son that he threw a big party to celebrate his return.

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[Bottom Line] “Everyone needs to be forgiven. The good news for us is that God LOVES each one of us. He loves us SO much that He sent Jesus, His only Son. God sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sin, the stuff that separates us from God. Jesus made a way for EVERYONE to be forgiven! When we believe or trust in Jesus so that we can be forgiven, we can have a friendship with God forever!”