

WEEK 1: GRACE COMES FIRST

FRESH START

GOD LOVED ME FIRST

TODAY'S BIG IDEA

God loves me
before I do anything.



TODAY'S VERSE

"Jesus is God's light,
and God's light shines on everyone."

— John 1:9 (adapted)

WHAT WE LEARNED

- God loved me before today started
- God doesn't wait for me to be good enough
- God is happy I'm here



NOTE FOR THE GROWN-UPS

You don't need the perfect words. You don't need to fix your child's faith. You don't need to make God look good. God already loves your child, before effort, before mistakes, before questions. Your presence is enough.

TALK ABOUT IT



Car Ride:

Who loves you even when you make mistakes?



Bedtime:

Before today started, God already loved you.



Wonder Together:

Where did you feel loved today?

WORD SEARCH

Find the words that remind us how God loves us.

GRACE

LOVE

FIRST

BEFORE

LIGHT

GOD

JESUS

G	R	A	C	E	T	H	E
O	L	O	V	E	K	A	R
D	I	G	H	T	S	L	E
L	F	I	R	S	T	C	O
O	A	R	E	S	M	E	D
V	B	E	F	O	R	E	E
E	U	S	J	E	S	U	S



COLOR & CREATE

Draw a heart
in the box.

Before you color
it, write inside:

"God Loves Me"



PRACTICE FOR THE WEEK

Each day, ask together:

Where did I notice God helping me today?
Small moments count.



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