



Gospel Light®

HOME DISCUSSION GUIDE
for Elementary

SPRING C
Lesson 13

Good and Bad

***“But God demonstrates his own love for us in this:
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”***

Romans 5:8

Wrong ideas about God’s love can easily creep into our thinking. When you are out walking or driving in the community, point out various people you see. Ask your kids, Does **God love that person?** As you go, give your kids scenarios: **Does God love** (our pastor more than a thief? a baby more than a murderer)? At bedtime, ask your kids more personal questions: **Does God love you more when you feel like you have done something good than He does when you’ve done wrong? Does God love you more right after you’ve done something wrong or right after you ask for forgiveness?** Remind kids what the Bible says: **God loves us all—at all times. He doesn’t love us because of what we do, good or bad. He loves us because He IS love** (see 1 John 4:8). **Love is His nature. What we do can’t change who He is. He can’t love you any more than He does, and what you do won’t make Him love you less!**

Try This:

When you pray with your kids at night, don’t focus only on them. Make it a family prayer time. Ask God to forgive you for the wrong things you did during the day. Thank Him for His love for you. This pattern of praying will bond you with your kids and will also help them learn how important it is to ask for forgiveness daily and to recognize God’s consistent love for them, for you and for everyone!