



Love Looks Like Gentleness & Self-Control

Jeremiah & the Potter | Jeremiah 18:1-12

Big Idea	Love looks like gentleness and self-control.
Music	What Does Love Look Like? – The Meeting House Kids
Key Verse	<p>“The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, and peace...” Galatians 5:22 (option 1)</p> <p>“The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.” Galatians 5:22-23 (option 2)</p>
Start: Puzzle	<p>Invite your child to put the puzzle together:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Let them know that in today’s Bible story, we’re going to hear about a man named Jeremiah.• Additionally, introduce the big idea and talk about what gentleness is and when to be gentle (e.g. with a baby or a pet) and about what self-control is, too!• Make and re-make puzzle as desired.
Supplies: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Puzzle activity page	
Watch:	Watch this week’s video.
Prayer:	<p>For this prayer time, find a musical instrument or (not-too-obnoxious) noisemaker. Invite your child to pray, “Thank you, God, for _____” and after each person, place, or thing that they mention make a joyful noise!</p>
Craft: Modelling Clay Pots	<p>Prep: be sure to wash hands before the activity for best experience.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open the package of modelling clay and give to your child.• Ask them what it feels like to smush around in their hands. Talk about what the Bible story was about and how our lives are like clay in God’s hands.• Encourage your child to shape the clay into a bowl or a pot.• Once it is the shape they’d like it to be, they can colour it with markers. As they do, talk about gentleness and self-control and why those can be loving things.• Set aside to dry before playing with it.
Supplies: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Modelling clay• Markers	



Key Verse Activity

Supplies:

- none

Help your child learn the Key Verse using the actions below:

The fruit of the Spirit (wiggle downward toward the ground)

Is love (cross arms over chest)

Joy (arms out, big smile, ready to give a big hug)

And peace (after saying peace take a deep breath in and sigh)

Galatians 5:22 (hands open like a book)