

GOD'S LOVE CRAFT

John 2-4

In John 3:16-17, we learn that God loved us enough to "give his only begotten Son" so that we may be "saved." One of the most important ways God shows His love for us is through Jesus Christ and everything we have because of the Savior (sacrament, repentance, eternal life, atonement, etc). God also shows His love for us in countless ways and daily tender mercies (nature, family, friends, talents, etc).

Since this week involves both the study of events in Christ's earthly ministry (John 2-4) and Valentine's Day, it's the perfect time to reflect on the ways we see God's love for us in our daily lives. If your family enjoys decorating for this holiday, consider cutting out colorful paper hearts and writing one way you know God loves you on each one.

Resources for discussion:

- "No matter how serious the trial, how deep the distress, how great the affliction, [God] will never desert us. He never has, and He never will. He cannot do it. It is not His character [to do so]. ... He will [always] stand by us. We may pass through the fiery furnace; we may pass through deep waters; but we shall not be consumed nor overwhelmed. We shall emerge from all these trials and difficulties the better and purer for them." George Q.
- <u>"God's Love"</u> informational page (has great scriptures)
- <u>"How I've Felt God's Love"</u> article (youth share how they have felt God's love)
- "God's Love" by Cheryl C. Lant
- "God's Love for His Children" by M. Russell Ballard
- "God Is Love" by the Tabernacle Choir at Temple Square

