



Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June –Matthew 10:24 – 39 – God Loves Me!

**Read:** Matthew 10:26-31

Jesus was again teaching the disciples. Sometimes it is difficult for us to understand everything that Jesus was saying to the disciples, but we can always learn something from his words. Jesus wanted the disciples to know how valuable they were to God and how much he loves and cares for them – just as he loves and cares for us. Jesus tells the disciples that God cares about everything he created – even the sparrows which sell two for a penny – that means they are very common and there are lots of them. But God knows all about them – he knows what they are doing and even knows if one of them falls! If God cares this much about sparrows, how much more will he not care for us? Jesus says God counts every hair on our heads – that is a lot of hair – and a lot of care that God gives us. We don't need to be afraid because God cares for us, loves us and will be with us always.

**Watch:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m-ovvWdhMwA> Rend Co Kids – I'm Not Afraid – a song to remind us that God's love will help us overcome anything.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3U\\_D6EnANY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3U_D6EnANY) Brad G – More than – This song reminds us just how much God loves us.

**Do:** Make an origami bird: <https://www.redtedart.com/easy-origami-bird-for-kids/?cn-reloaded=1>

Wordsearch: [https://sermons4kids.com/precious\\_in\\_his\\_sight\\_wordsearch.htm](https://sermons4kids.com/precious_in_his_sight_wordsearch.htm)

Colouring Page: [https://sermons4kids.com/birds\\_in\\_air\\_colorpg.htm](https://sermons4kids.com/birds_in_air_colorpg.htm)

Dot to Dot: [https://sermons4kids.com/he\\_cares\\_for\\_you\\_dot2dot.htm](https://sermons4kids.com/he_cares_for_you_dot2dot.htm)

**Pray:** Lord God, thank you for loving me more than I love Ice Cream! You are an awesome God and I know how much I mean to you. Help me to love others like you love me. Amen

Father in heaven watch over our loved ones.

Keep them by your side.

May they be safe and peaceful, in you may they abide.

Give wisdom to the doctors and nurses too we pray,  
renew their strength and bless them for the work they do each day.

Send healing and restoration and let them feel your love.

May your Holy Spirit give them rest as gentle as a dove. Amen

(taken from Praying Together)

**Share:**

Draw a picture of all the things God loves you more than – Ice Cream? Netflix? Minecraft? Think of all the things you love and while you are drawing think about just how much God loves you.

### **Father's Day Activity:**

Make a coupon book for some things you can help Dad/grandad/uncles with over the summer holidays.

Make a Father's Day Card:

<https://www.messylittlemonster.com/2018/06/fathers-day-tie-card-template.html>

Phone or text your uncles or Grandads that you may not get to see today.



### **Prayers for Fathers:** (taken from Praying Together)

God our father, bless all the dads in the world:

Dads who make us laugh when they play with us,

Dads who are brave and protective,

Dads who seek to be good role models.

Give them grace and patience in every situation as sometimes being a dad isn't easy.

When our dads worry (and we know they sometimes do) remind them that you are their father in heaven and you will take care of their needs.

Help them to know how much we love them, and how much you love them also. Amen.

God, in the Bible you are sometimes called Abba or Father.

That is a name given to you because of your gentleness and your strength,

That name is given to you because of your shield of protection around your children,

That name is given to you because of your tender love and care.

Thank you God for our fathers.

Thank you that they make time for us, care for us and help us to grow more and more like you each day.

Thank you for the times of laughter and playfulness and the times of learning and growth.

We pray that they would know that their love, care, and provision will have a lasting impact.

We pray that they would know their value and worth as fathers. Amen