No Greater Love Sun Am KZ Lesson 2/11/24

# Memory Verse: John 15:13 NKJV

# 13Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friends.

Target Thought: Jesus gave His life for us.

We are getting ready to celebrate a special holiday. What was that holiday? That’s right! It’s Valentine’s Day. I like Valentine’s Day because it is a time when everyone stops what they’re doing in their busy and hurried lives, and they tell the people who are important to them that they love them! Is it important to tell our loved ones we love them? Why?

Most people do more than just TELL those special people that they love them—they DO something to show their love for them. The might give them a fun gift like a teddy bear, they might give them a special valentine’s card, or they might prepare a special meal for their sweetheart. They might even write a love letter to their sweetheart.

Did you know that God has written a love letter to each one of you? Can you guess what is the love letter that God has written to us? The Bible is God’s love letter for us. The Bible tells us that God created each of us, and that He loves all of us no matter what! It doesn’t matter how many mistakes we make or what kinds of bad choices we make, God will still love us.

Let’s think about this for a minute, explain love to me. Is love a feeling, a real thing, an action,? Or all of the above? When we truly love someone do we just say so or is there actions that show love?

God loves us SO much that he sent His son Jesus to live and walk here on the Earth. During his years of ministry, Jesus taught us a great deal about love. Still today, Jesus teaches us that it is not only important to love others, but it is also important to show our love for others. God loves us so much that He gave us Jesus now and forever! Jesus always loves us, protects us, provides for us, He is our best friend and big brother ever.

In the Bible, we find a verse where Jesus said this: A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. John 13:34

Isn’t it great that we have this amazing love letter, the Bible, to remind us that God loves us and to show us how to love others through the examples of Jesus Christ?

I know that there are many people in your life that you love. I hope that you will do more than just TELL those people that you love them. I hope you will find ways to SHOW those people that you love them EVERY DAY! And I also want you each of you to remember that God has sent YOU a love letter, and in that letter, God promises that He will love you—NO MATTER WHAT!

Name some ways that we can show God that we love Him. We can read the Bible, we can obey our parents, we can love one another, we can go to church, we can tell others about Jesus, we can tell the truth always, we can make good choices, we can praise and thank God.

Let’s pray, God, we thank you for giving us the greatest love letter of all—the Bible. Help us to use that love letter as a reminder of how much you love us. Help us also to find ways to love others as Jesus has loved us. In Jesus’ Precious Name we ask, AMEN

1. Is it important to tell our loved ones that we love them? Why?

2. What is the love letter that God has written to us?

3 Is love a feeling, a real thing, an action, or all the above?

4. Who is God’s valentine to us?

5. Name two ways we can show God that we love Him?