



Theme: Unconditional Love

Even At Our Worst ... **1 Peter 4:8**

'Keep loving one another as love covers a multitude of offences.'

No Matter What by Debi Gliori
In this book Small is feeling very grumpy and challenges Large as to how much Large truly loves him. Will Large love Small in all circumstances? When he's really naughty? Feeling dark and grim? Or far away?

Biblical Reference:

1 Corinthians 13:7

'Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.'

Next month's book is:

'The Rescue Party' by Nick Butterworth

Inspiration ...

If you do not have this book, you could borrow it from the library or watch a re-telling of the story on YouTube.

 <https://youtu.be/2f5Me3UnG2s>

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Theme exploration:

The Bible tells us that even in our worst moments, God loves us unconditionally (**Romans 8:37-39**). God made a way for us to always return to Him, Christians know this as salvation. Jesus died for us so that nothing could ever come between us and God again. Even when we're naughty, think we are ugly or feel far away.

We also read in the sad and difficult book of Job (in the Old Testament in The Bible) that true love can withstand all grief, loss, pain and tragedy. The book of Job shows us that love is true and real and won't fade away just because life is hard.

What you could do as a family this month:

- Cuddle up with your child and chat about how much you love them.
- Tell them what in particular you love about them most.
- Which love language do your family members most appreciate? 5lovelanguages.com
- Your child might like to dress up like the different characters in the book.



We believe in the power of prayer

A prayer for you to pray for your child:

Lord Jesus, bless our child/ren to love without fear and condition, to forgive when it's not deserved and give when it's not fair. Amen.

A prayer we commit to pray for you as parents:

Loving father, bless this family with the ability to love unconditionally even in the hardest moments. Help them realise what Jesus gave up so that they can know love and life. Amen.