

**Key Question:** Who loves me?

**Bottom Line:** God loves me!

**Memory Verse:** “Nothing at all can ever separate us from God’s love.” Romans 8:39

**Bible Story Focus:** God loves me, and I am special to Him!

**The Lost Coin-** Luke 15:8-10

## Memory Verse with Motions:

**What You Need:** No supplies needed

### **What You Say:**

*Before the Activity:* I love our May memory verse! It’s the last Sunday in May!

“Nothing at all (*shake head and wave your arms in front of you*) can separate (*lock your fingers together*) us from God’s (*point up with both hands*) love (*hug yourself*). Romans 8:39.” (*Open your hands like a book.*)

*During the Activity:* Now, let’s do it all together! Are you ready?

“Nothing at all (*shake head and wave your arms in front of you*) can separate (*lock your fingers together*) us from God’s (*point up with both hands*) love (*hug yourself*). Romans 8:39.” (*Open your hands like a book.*)

*After the Activity:* God loves us all! Nothing will ever change that! **Who loves me? [Bottom Line] God loves me!**

## The Lost Coin:

**What You Need:** Ten fake coins or paper coins and a box.

### **What You Do:**

*Before the Activity:* Place nine of the coins inside the box.

*During the Activity:* Place the box in front of you and hide the tenth coin under your leg or shoe. Make the coin visible if it were to be looked for. Take the coins out of the box one at a time while counting them out loud with the children. When you get to the last coin or number nine, tell the children that you have lost your last coin. Ask the children to help you find the coin. Continue the activity until the children find the coin.

### **What You Say:**

*Before the Activity:* “Jesus told us a story in the Bible, today!”

*During the Activity:* “He told us about a woman who had ten coins and that they were special to her. I have ten coins, too! (*Shake box to rattle coins.*) Let’s count my coins (*count coins*). Oh, no! There are only nine coins! One of my coins is lost. I have to find it!” (*Do activity.*)

*After the Activity:* “Thank goodness I found my coin! Just like in the Bible story today, they are special. Just like we are ALL special to God! **Who loves me? [Bottom Line] God loves me!**”

## Celebration Parade:

**What You Need:** Any celebration item [musical instruments, streamers, balloons]

### **What You Do:**

*During the Activity:* Explain that when you raise your hands (*lift hands like a conductor*), the children may march and play their instruments for your celebration parade! Wave your arms back and forth like a conductor as you lead the children in a march around the room.

### **What You Say:**

*Before the Activity:* “What did the woman do when she found her coin? (*Pause.*) She celebrated! Let’s have our own celebration parade. In just a moment, I will give you an instrument to play. When you receive your instrument, you must wait until I raise my arms like this (*Raise arms like a conductor*). Then, follow me as we march around the room. Let’s stay in line, friends. When I put my arms down like this, what do you think that means? (*Pause.*) Yes! It means to stop playing. Okay, here we go!”

*After the Activity:* “Now that was a fun celebration parade! Why do you think the woman celebrated when she finally found her coin? (*Pause.*) Yes. She celebrated because it was so special to her. Are you special God? (*Pause.*) You are SO special to God, and He loves you very much. One more time, tell me, **who loves me? [Bottom Line] God loves me.**”

## Prayer Time:

“Dear God, sometimes we forget how special we are to You. Thank You for reminding us that we are special. I hope we never forget that You made us and love us, and that makes us all pretty special! We love You, God. In Jesus’ name, amen.”