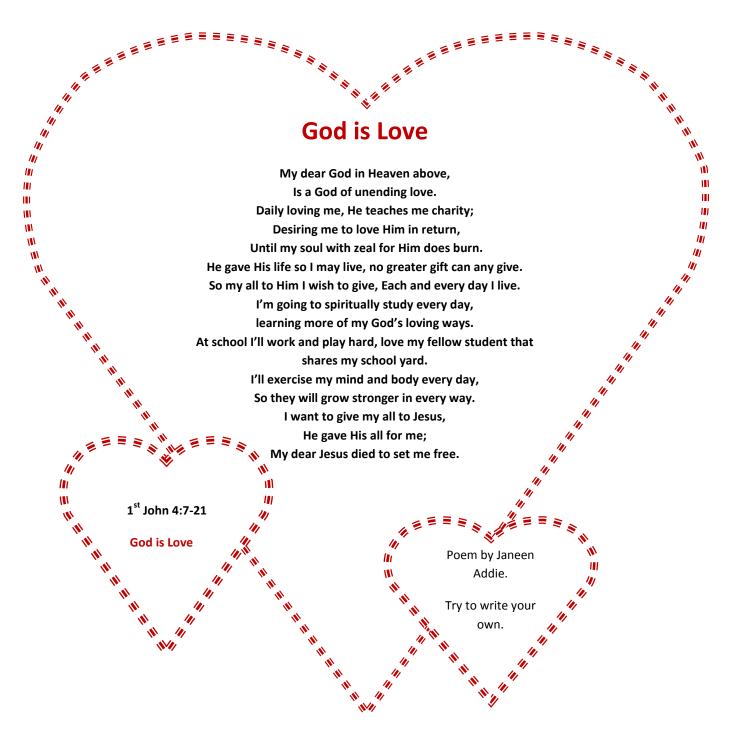
## GENERAL SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

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## **God is Love-** lesson by Susan Porter

**Purpose of this lesson:** To know that God loves us and that God is love. If we show love to others it means we have God with us.

Age Group: This lesson can be used with all ages; from young to old we can discuss and reflect on God's love for us. For older groups, I suggest using some of the references listed below.

Read 1<sup>st</sup> John 4:16 "And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God and God in him."

## Make a chart like this one:

Parents care for me
ends play games with me
I get listened to
Pray with me
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Discuss with your group and add comments.

After adding comments, talk about how we can improve on showing love to others. Record these ideas with a different color.

## Make another chart like this one:

How I show love to God	How God shows His love to me
I go to church if I can	He provides me with what I need
I read Bible and Book of Mormon stories	He listens when I pray
l say my prayers	He gives me blessings
I tell people about my blessings	His Spirit is with me and guides me
I take care of my body that God gave me	He gives me joy and peace
I keep God's commandments	He doesn't change- we can rely on Him

Discuss and add comments.

Think about good deeds you do: helping others, being kind to one another, going to church, participating, reading your scriptures, praying, fasting, being joyful and so on.

For advanced students/adults: refer to the scriptures- here are a few suggestions:

Deuteronomy 7:9, Psalm 51:17, Matthew 18:11-14, Matthew 22:34-40, John 3:16, John 14:15-21, John 15:9-13; 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, Galatians 5:22, Ephesians 2:4-10, 1st John 4:7-21, 1 Nephi 3: 27, 1 Nephi 3:62-64, 2 Nephi 11: 145-146, Moroni 7:52-53, 8:18-19, 10:29.