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SAY THIS:

What is better than gold?
THE BIBLE IS BETTER THAN GOLD.

 **DO THIS:**
**MORNING TIME**

When you go into your child's room this month, say, "Good morning! Who loves [child's name] all the time? God loves [child's name] all the time!"

**DRIVE TIME**

As you drive, take turns naming friends. End by saying, "And Jesus is our friend! God loves us so much, He gave us Jesus to be our friend forever!"

**CUDDLE TIME**

Cuddle up with your child this month and pray, "Dear God, Your teachings are worth more than thousands of pieces of gold and silver. Thank You for all the people that helped write the Bible so we can know that Jesus is alive and wants to be our friend forever. In Jesus' name, amen."

**BATH TIME**

Add shaving cream to bath time. Once your child has spread it on the bathtub wall or the side of the tub, show them how to draw hearts in the shaving cream. Each time they draw a heart, say with them, "God loves me!"

BASIC TRUTH:

**GOD MADE ME. GOD LOVES ME.
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- communicate that they are safe,
• establish that the world can be trusted,
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