# PRESCHOOL PARENT GUIDE

**BIG IDEA:** THE VALUABLE COW

BIG POINT: NOTHING IN OUR LIVES SHOULD TAKE THE PLACE OF GOD.

BIG WORD: PRAISE THE LORD. PRAISE THE LORD, O MY SOUL. I WILL PRAISE THE LORD ALL

MY-LÎFE; I WILL SING PRAISE TO MY GOD AS LONG AS I LIVE. PSALM 146:1-2 (NIV)

### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

At the conclusion of this lesson children will:

- Understand that when we let other things become more important than God they can become like an idol in our lives.
- Learn that what we spend our time, energy and money on shows what we value.

#### **CONNECT TIME**

What toy do you like to play with the most?

#### THE BIG QUESTION

1. What did the Israelite people do when Moses was still up on the mountain?

They didn't know when he was coming back so they convinced Aaron to melt down all the gold that they could find and make a golden cow. They began to worship the golden cow instead of worshipping God.

2. What things, in your life, are very important to you?

Allow the children to answer and then share your answers also. There are lots of things that are important to us; family, friends, school, music and sport. There are also things that we enjoy doing and we give lots of our time to them like reading, playing games, listening to our iPods and other hobbies.

3. What is the MOST important thing in our lives?

Although many things are important to us, nothing in our lives should take the place of God. We should be careful not to let anything become like an idol in our lives. God is the only one we should worship.

# **COLORING PAGE**

Children complete the Coloring Page in this time.

#### THE BIG WORD

Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. Psalm 146:1-2 (NIV)

Memory Mix Up! - Write each word of the verse on a separate piece of card. Help the children to arrange the words into the correct order of the verse.

## **PRAYER**

Dear God.

You are the only one we want to worship. Help us to make sure nothing becomes more important to us than you.

In Jesus name, Amen.

