

The Invisible String - Reading Guide

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Themes: love, separation anxiety, human connection transcends distance

Lesson/Notes: In this story, a mother comforts her children by explaining how people are connected by their love like an invisible string that reaches wherever you are (even to loved ones in heaven). It reinforces that love is “stronger than anger” and unconditional.

Discussion Questions

- *Can you feel connected to people you love when they are not there with you? (yes)*
- *What is the invisible string made of? (love)*
- *Is there anywhere the invisible string cannot reach? (no)*
- *Who are you connected to with invisible strings? [Or: Who do you love, and who loves you?]*

Activity: String Art

Suggested Supplies: yarn, glue, craft paper, printed photos of loved ones and self, scissors

- Encourage (and help as needed) the child to:
 - cut out pictures of loved ones
 - glue photos onto craft paper
 - measure and cut pieces of yarn to glue onto craft paper, connecting the pictures
- As you work, talk about the story and how people are never alone because we are connected by love.
- If you do not have photos available, the child can draw pictures of loved ones or write their names.