

BIG TRUTH: GOD RULES CREATION

Jeremiah 10:10-13; Psalm 33; Psalm 93; Isaiah 40; Isaiah 46:8-13

BIBLE VERSE: PSALM 135:6

"Whatever the Lord pleases, He does, in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps."

BIG IDEAS

DEVOTION

- There is only one God.
- God is in charge of everything.
- Creation exists to declare God's greatness.

BIBLE STORY: EXODUS 7-12

God is the one living God. There is no other god besides God. He is the Creator of all things and He rules over everything. Creation obeys God's Word. All of creation does what God commands it to do. In the story of the Plagues on Egypt, God's rule is displayed through His control of all things. He is the ruler of all.

STORY: CREATION

God created everything. Everything we see, hear, feel, taste, and that exists was created by Him. Not only did He create everything, but He created everything perfectly, including humanity. He created mankind in His very image and likeness to reflect His worth. All of creation was made just like He wanted and designed it to be. To His delight, God looked at everything He made and declared that it was good. All creation exists for God, is good, and was created to bring Him glory.

BIG AIMS



Every child should know that:

• God is actively involved in creation

Every child should:

• Remember the ways that God is faithful



Every child should feel:Safe and secure in God's rule over creation

Every child should want:

• To trust God's control over creation



STORY: CREATION GOD RULES CREATION

GOD IS IN CHARGE

Make a crown from poster board or cardstock. Write the word "Ruler" on the crown. Allow your child to wear the crown for a few hours one day. When your child wears the crown, he or she gets to be in charge. Talk with your child about how it felt to be the ruler for the day. Remind them that God is in charge of everything. He rules over everything.

DISCOVER IT: (Use the passage to illustrate the Big Truth.) Psalm 135:6.

THINK ABOUT IT: (Use the commentary to reinforce the Big Truth.)

God is the only true God. He is mighty and powerful. There is no other God like Him. His power is great and He has all authority over everything. He is the Creator of all things. The Psalmist talks about God's greatness in this verse. God is not a weak, powerless god. He is mighty and whatever He wants to do in creation, He does. Creation obeys God's Word. God does as He wishes in all of the world because He is in charge of everything. All people obey and disobey God within the boundaries that He has set for them. All creation operates within the boundaries determined by God because He is the ruler of all things.

TALK ABOUT IT: (Use the questions to discuss the Big Truth)

- Who is the most powerful of all beings? (God is the most powerful being of all.)
- Who is in charge of everything? (God is in charge of everything. He rules over everything in creation.)



As a family memorize Psalm 135:6 by playing beanbag toss. The person who hits a designated spot with the beanbag gets to say the verse out loud.

Play a game of "Red Light, Green Light." Talk with your child about how the person in charge is the person who controls the game. Remind them that God is in control of all creation. He rules all of creation because He is the most powerful.

Spend some time making cookies or brownies. Talk with your child about how you control the ingredients that go into it and you control the temperature of the oven. Even though we control some things, we do not rule over things like God does. He rules over all of creation.



Spend some time singing "He's Got The Whole World In His Hands" with your child. Remind them that God rules over all of creation. He controls everything.



Help your child plan a special gift for a grandparent or friend. Allow your child to choose what the gift is going to be and how it will be wrapped. Ask your child to choose when he or she will give the gift. Talk with your child about how he or she is in charge of this project. They get to make all of the decisions about the special gift. God is in charge of all of creation. He makes all of the decisions that involve creation because He is the ruler of everything.