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BIG TRUTH: GOD IS MAKING A NEW PEOPLE TO RULE

Leviticus 26:12; Jeremiah 30:22; Ezekiel 36:28; Hosea 1:10; Zechariah 2:11; John 1:12-13; Romans 3:29

BIBLE VERSE: PSALM 100:3

Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

BIG IDEAS

- God offers a new relationship.
- God offers adoption when we are orphans.
- God offers friendship when we are enemies.
- God offers a new position of servants when we are slaves.
- God offers a new purpose as ambassadors when we are rebels.

BIBLE STORY: GENESIS 12:1-4A, 15:1-6 & ROMANS 4:13-25

When Adam and Eve first sinned in the Garden of Eden, they separated themselves and all of mankind from God. Their relationship with God was broken. However, God promised that one day He would rescue His people. He chose a man named Abram that would be the earthly father of His new people. God used Abram to create His new family. One day, God Himself came to earth when His Son Jesus was born through the line of Abram. Even though we had sinned against Him, God promised to restore His people and make them new.

STORY: NEW CREATION

Part of the beauty of the gospel is that God does not just rescue us from the power of sin, but He is also making everything new. God offers new creation to those who place their faith in Jesus. This newness comes in two ways. The first is that by breaking the power of sin, Jesus is making men and women into brand new people with new identities. Second, God is not only making people new, but He is also going to make a new heaven and a new earth for us to live on and worship Him in.

BIG AIMS



Every child should know that:

- God is giving His people a new identity



Every child should feel:

- Hope that God is creating a new people to rule



Every child should:

- Talk about how God is making all things new



Every child should want:

- To be given a new identity in Christ

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REVIEW

Guide 9 acts as a review for the preceding weeks. Use this guide and devotion to support, reinforce, and review concepts learned throughout the past weeks and to test your child's understanding and memory of these truths.

DISCOVER IT: *(Use the passage to illustrate the Big Truth.)*

Genesis 12:1-4a, 15:1-6 & Romans 4:13-25

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

Sin entered the world when the first man and woman disobeyed God. Every person born after them was and is born with a sin nature. This sin nature causes us to reject God and to continue sinning. God promised to rescue His people. He chose a man named Abram to be the earthly father of His people. He called Abram to follow Him and made a special promise, or covenant with him. He promised to make a great nation out of Abram by giving him and his wife, Sarai a son. Abram and Sarai did not have any children and they were getting older, yet he still believed God was going to do what He had promised. Abram asked God one day if He was going to use Abram's servant to make the great nation. God told Abram to look up at the stars in the night sky. He promised to give Abram his own son and to use that son to make his descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky. Abram believed God and one day, God fulfilled His promise. Abram and his wife had a son named Isaac. Many, many years later another baby was born from the line of Abram, who was later called Abraham. That Son's name was Jesus and He was God's only Son come to the earth to save God's people from their sin. Jesus lived a perfect life and died on the cross for the sin of the world. God made a way for His people to be a part of His family. The story is His story of His rescue of mankind.

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

- What did God promise to do through Abram? (He promised to make a great nation out of him.)
- How did God promise to make a great nation? (He promised to give Abram his own son.)
- Why did God make a covenant with Abram? (To create His family)
- How did God make a way for us to be a part of His family? (He sent Jesus to pay our sin debt.)



KNOW

As a family, memorize Psalm 100:3 by creating word art with it. Use markers and other craft supplies to write the verse out and then decorate it. As you create the word art, say the verse out loud several times.



DO

One night spend time as a family looking at the stars in the sky. Talk with your child about how God promised to make Abraham's family as numerous as the stars in the sky. When we repent and believe in Jesus, we become part of that family.



FEEL

At the beginning of the week, tell your child that you have a surprise planned for him or her. Each day leading up to the surprise remind your child that it's coming and ask your child if he or she believes you. Tell him or her that their trust that the surprise is coming is faith that you'll do what you say you'll do. Make sure you do the surprise that is planned and then share with your child how God promised to make a way for us to be a part of His family and He did.



WANT

Spend some time this week praying as a family and thanking God for making us a part of His family. Talk with your child about what it means to be a part of God's family and how God always keeps His promises.