### **BIG TRUTH: GOD IS THE GOOD CREATOR**

Exodus 34:6; 1 Chronicles 16:34; Psalm 25:8; 33:5; 92:15; 100:5; 107:8-9; 119:68; 145:5-9; Matthew 7:11

## **BIBLE VERSE: JAMES 1:17**

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change."

## **BIG IDEAS**

- God not only does good, He is good.
- Everything God made was good.
- Nothing God created was bad or broken.

## **BIBLE STORY: PSALM 19**

God is not only the Creator of all things, but He is the good Creator. God is always good and everything that He does is good. When God created the heavens and the earth, everything that He created was good. All of creation declares God's glory and His goodness. Creation is evidence that God is good and always does good.

## 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 created man and woman in His image



#### Every child should:

Respect other people as image bearers



## Every child should feel:

• Unique among all creation as an image bearer



#### Every child should want:

• To be holy and reflect God's image well

## STORY: CREATION

# **GOD IS THE GOOD CREATOR**

## NOTHING GOD CREATED WAS BROKEN

Gather together some of your child's older toys. With your child, talk about how the toys aren't new anymore. Some of their parts might not work quite the same. Remind them that when the toy was new, everything was perfect on it. When God created the heavens and the earth, they were perfect. Nothing was broken in them.

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

Psalm 19

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

God is a good and perfect God. Everything that He does is good and perfect. Creation declares God's glory and His goodness. God is always good. This means that everything He does is always good. When God first created the heavens and the earth, they were good and perfect. God's creation was not broken or sinful when He first created it. God's creation was glorious and magnificent because God is glorious and magnificent. Nothing was broken about God's creation in the beginning. Creation was broken after man sinned by disobeying God. God is good and His creation was perfect and good.

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

- What was God's creation like in the beginning? (It was good and perfect.)
- Why was God's creation good and perfect in the beginning? (God is good and perfect and everything He does is good and perfect.)



As a family, memorize James 1:17 by alternating saying the verse in a loud voice and a quiet voice several times.



Take a walk with your child through your neighborhood or in a nearby park. Point out all of the good things that God created. Remind your child that everything was good and perfect when God first created it. Nothing was bad or broken.



Go for a drive as a family through your neighborhood or town. Point out the differences in houses, cars, stores, etc. that you see. Remind your child that we're all created by God and everything God created was good and perfect when He created it.



Spend some time as a family singing praise songs to God, thanking Him for His goodness and His faithfulness.