BIG TRUTH: GOD IS THE GOOD CREATOR

Isaiah 46:8-13, 14:24-27; Psalm 33:10-11; Proverbs 16:9, 19:21, 21:1, 21:30; Daniel 4:34-37; Ephesians 1:11-14

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

Everything about God is good because God is perfect. He is the most holy and righteous of all beings. Because God is perfect and never does wrong, all that He does in the world is good. Everything God created was good. It was perfect and without sin. Man's disobedience broke God's good creation. All that God does in the life of a person is good, too.

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:

• Life comes from God



Every child should feel:

• Responsible to use the life that God has given them for His glory



Every child should:

 Find joy in the life that God has given them



Every child should want:

• To submit their lives to God's plans

STORY: CREATION

GOD IS THE GOOD CREATOR

HE IS THE GOODNESS

Plan an experiment with your child. Create a chart of some different snacks. Set the snacks out in different bowls and have your child serve as taste tester. Mark your child's response to each snack on the chart. Once you finish, talk with your child about which snacks were good and which weren't. Remind your child that God is always good and everything He does is good.

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

Psalm 19

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

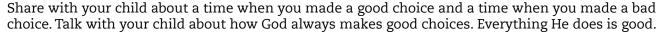
The Psalmist writes of the ways God's glory is revealed through His creation. The heavens declare God's glory through their wonderful majesty and great expanse. Every day and every night speaks of His knowledge and wisdom. God's law is perfect and true. It is a right guide for His people. Nothing God does is in error. He makes no mistakes. God's creation of the world was perfect and good. He saw what He had created and declared it good. Every action and word that God speaks is good because God is good. He does not do wrong or make sinful choices. Everything He does is good and perfect. Everything He created is good and perfect. It reveals His glory to the world and shows man the goodness of God.

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

- Who is the only perfect and good being? (God is the only perfect and good being.)
- Does God do bad things? (No, God always does good things.)



As a family, memorize James 1:17 by playing beanbag toss. When someone hits a designated spot on the floor with the beanbag, they get to say the verse out loud.





Plan a special day with your child. Allow your child to choose some of the activities to do on the special day. Call your special day the "Good Day". After you have your "Good Day", talk with your child about what made the day good. Remind her that God always does good. Everything He does is good.



Spend some time one night watching the sunset and looking at the stars. If you have a telescope, spend some time looking at different stars and planets. Talk with your child about how the heavens declare God's glory and they show His goodness. Everything He does is good and everything He created is good.



Several nights this week as you put your child to bed, spend a few moments praying and thanking God for all the good things He has created. Thank Him for His unchanging goodness.