

# GOD RESTORES OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH HIM

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Jeremiah 31:31-34; Ezekiel 11:19-20; 36:22-28; Romans 5:1-2; 6:17-18; 2 Corinthians 5:18-21; Ephesians 2:13-19; Colossians 1:21-23

## BIBLE VERSE: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21

*"For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God."*

## BIG IDEAS

- Our sin creates a chasm of separation between God and us.
- He is holy, holy, holy, and we are not.
- In His love and mercy, God provides a means to cleanse us from our sin.
- We can be reconciled to God because Jesus took our separation.

## BIBLE STORY: ISAIAH 6:1-8

Isaiah's vision of God is one of God's holiness. Isaiah saw God seated upon a throne. He also saw the seraphim praising God, crying 'holy, holy, holy'. God is holy and mighty. He is worthy of all praise. We are not holy. We are sinful.

## STORY: REDEMPTION

Thankfully, God does not just leave us in the broken world, but is repairing the brokenness through His Son. From the very beginning of time, God promised He would fix creation, and He kept His promise by sending Jesus to rescue us from our sin. Jesus came to live on the earth and willingly died on the cross so that sin's power over creation would be broken forever.

## BIG AIMS



### Every child should know that:

- By grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, we can be reconciled to God.



### Every child should feel:

- Thankful that God would send His Son so that we could be reconciled to Him



### Every child should:

- Pursue reconciliation in their relationships with friends and family because God has made a way for them to be reconciled back to Him



### Every child should want:

- To honor God and live in restored relationship with Him

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## THE HOLY AND UNHOLY

Use sidewalk chalk to create two columns outside. One column should be labeled God and the other should be labeled man. Ask your child to think of ways that God is holy and ways that man is unholy. Remind your child that God is the holiest of holies and we are not holy.

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

Isaiah 6:1-8.

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

Isaiah was God's special messenger, or prophet. God shared truth with Isaiah that He wanted Isaiah to share with His people. After King Uzziah died, Isaiah received a vision of God. In his vision, he saw God sitting on a throne that was high and lifted up. The train of God's robe filled all the temple and God's glory filled all the earth. Isaiah saw special angels, or seraphim standing above God singing about God's holiness. When Isaiah saw God's holiness and all His glory filling the earth, Isaiah was overcome with despair over his own sinfulness. One of the seraphim came to Isaiah holding a burning coal. The seraphim touched the coal to Isaiah's lips and declared Isaiah cleansed of his sins. Just as Isaiah was cleansed of his sin, we, too, are cleansed when we have faith in Jesus. Our sin separates us from God and his holiness, but Jesus' death on the cross in our place makes us holy before God.

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

- What did Isaiah see in his vision? (He saw God's holiness and glory.)
- How did Isaiah respond to seeing God? (He was overcome with his own sinfulness.)



KNOW

As a family, memorize 2 Corinthians 5:21. Talk about how Jesus took on our sin so that we could be made right with God.



DO

One day during this week, spend some time at the park or in creation. Point out to your child the different ways that God's glory fills the earth. Remind your child that God is holy and we are not.

Share with your child how you felt when you understood your own sinfulness and God's holiness. Remind your child that our sin separates us from God, but believe in Jesus reconciles us to Him.

Spend some time this week praying and thanking God for reconciling us to Himself.



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