

GOD IS MAKING EVERYTHING NEW

STORY: NEW CREATION / YEAR: KINGDOM

BIG TRUTH: GOD IS MAKING EVERYTHING NEW

Isaiah 65:17; 66:22; Habakkuk 2:14; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Romans 8:23; 2 Peter 3:13; Revelation 3:12

BIBLE VERSE: REVELATION 21:5

And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true."

BIG IDEAS

- God offers a new creation.
- God offers a new relationship.
- God offers the promise of a new body.
- God offers the promise of a new home.
- God offers the promise of eternity with Him.

BIBLE STORY: REVELATION 21

God has made a way for His people to have new life in Jesus, and that is good news for us! And that is not where the story ends. God has also promised that one day He will make everything new. Now, even in Christ, we experience pain and loss and sadness because we still live in a world broken by sin. But one day, God has promised to make a new heaven and a new earth where there will be no more sadness.

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:

- New creation is the promise that God is making all things new



Every child should feel:

- Hope that God is fixing creation



Every child should:

- Talk about the gospel story using creation, fall, redemption, and new creation



Every child should want:

- To be made new through faith in Jesus

FAMILY DEVOTION:

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.

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God is the ruler over all things.

- God created all things, and He rules over all things.
- God is seated on a throne that is high above the earth.
- He is King over all things and all people.

God promises that He is making all things new.

- Everything that has been broken or twisted by sin, God is making new.
- This is not just a promise of something that will happen in the future.
- This is something that God is doing now and will continue to do.
- God is the Creator over all the world, and so He is the only one who can make things be new again.
- This is good news for us.

We can trust God and His promises.

- God is truth, and all truth comes from Him.
- When God says something, we can trust that it is true.
- When God promises to do something, we can trust that He will keep His word and His promise.

BIBLE STORY: MATTHEW 7:15-27**Opening Illustration:**

Provide the children with several narrow strips of different colored paper cut to 1" x 8.5". Help the children use the strips of paper to create a story paper chain. Have the children draw pictures of God's story of redemption. Help them think through key aspects of God's story beginning with creation and ending with Jesus' promised return. The children should write or draw an aspect on one strip of paper and then connect the strips together in order with tape or staples. Remind them that the story of the world is God's story. He created man and all things for His glory.

Guide 9 acts as a review for the preceding weeks. The Big Ideas in Guide 9 are the Big Truths that were learned in Guides 4-8. Use this week as an opportunity to review and reinforce these truths. For further study, information, or resources, refer back to Guides 4-8.

BIG IDEA: GOD OFFERS A NEW CREATION.

BIBLE VERSE: REVELATION 21:5A

“And He who was seated on the throne said, ‘Behold, I am making all things new.’”

See Guide 4 for more information on this Big Idea.

BIG IDEA: GOD OFFERS A NEW RELATIONSHIP.

BIBLE VERSE: 2 CORINTHIANS 5:19

“That is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.”

See Guide 5 for more information on this Big Idea.

BIG IDEA: GOD OFFERS THE PROMISE OF A NEW BODY.

BIBLE VERSE: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:53-54

“For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: ‘Death is swallowed up in victory.’”

See Guide 6 for more information on this Big Idea.

BIG IDEA: GOD OFFERS THE PROMISE OF A NEW HOME.

BIBLE VERSE: JOHN 14:2-3

“In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.”

See Guide 7 for more information on this Big Idea.

BIG IDEA: GOD OFFERS THE PROMISE OF ETERNITY WITH HIM.

BIBLE VERSE: JOHN 3:16

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.”

See Guide 8 for more information on this Big Idea.

HOOKS

**Old or New Relay**

Play a relay with the children. Mark two spots on the carpet with masking tape. Label one spot “Old” and the other “New.” In a basket or container, place some old and some new objects. Have the children choose an object and race to place the object in the appropriate spot. Lead them in a discussion about how God is making all things new.

**All New Creation**

Give each child a paper plate, paint and brushes. Instruct the children to create a rainbow using their paint and paintbrushes. Once they finish painting, set the plates aside to dry. Lead the children in a discussion about how God makes all things new.

