STORY: CREATION

GOD IS THE GOOD CREATOR

BIG TRUTH: GOD IS THE 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

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.

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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 the family

Every child should feel:
- Thankful for the gift of family that God has given them

Every child should:
- Practice serving the members of their family

Every child should want:
- To honor and respect their family

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EVERYTHING GOD DOES IS GOOD

As a family, take a trip to your local supermarket or grocery store. Take your child through the different aisles. Ask your child to point out the foods that he considers good and the ones he considers bad. Remind him that everything God made is good and everything God does is good. He is the good Creator.

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. Nothing God does is in error. He does not make 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 hot potato. Have the verse written where everyone can see it. Then sit in a circle on the floor. Toss a bean bag randomly to each other with each person saying a word of the verse as they catch the bean bag.

Every day this week, spend some time at mealtimes asking each family member to choose which dish is his or her favorite. Talk about what we think is good and what isn't good. Then remind your child that everything that God does is good. Everything He created was good.

Use a white coffee filter and blue and green liquid food color to create a world. Place the filters on paper towels or newspaper. Help your child place the food color on one of the filters. As you create the coffee filter world, talk with your child about how everything God created was good because He is the good Creator.

Spend an evening talking with your child about good and bad choices, using examples of good and bad choices that you have both made during the week. Remind your child that God never makes a bad choice. Everything He does is good.

As your child goes to bed this week, spend some time talking about how we can trust God because He is always good. Spend a few moments praying and thanking God for all the good things He has created.

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