

**BIG TRUTH: GOD IS FATHER**

Matthew 7:7-11; John 1:14; Heberws 12:7; Romans 8:14-15; Ephesians 1:3, 4:6; Galatians 4:6; Philippians 2:11; 1 John 3:1

**BIBLE VERSE: 1 CORINTHIANS 8:6**

*"Yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist."*

**BIG IDEAS**

- God is Father and the Father is good.
- The Father loves His children perfectly.
- We can trust the Father because He cares for us.

**BIBLE PASSAGE: LUKE 11:9-13; 12:22-31****BIBLE PASSAGE: EXODUS 32-33****FOUNDATION: GOD IS**

"God is" means that there is only one god in the universe. He alone is Lord over everything that exists, and He alone is worthy of our worship. This also means that every good thing that exists comes from God. All good things come from Him because goodness is a part of who He is as the one true God. It is a part of His nature and character to be good, and everything that comes from God is good. Thankfully God has not chosen to withhold His goodness from His creation, but instead gives it freely to us.

**SERIES AIMS****Every student should know that...**

- There is only one true God, and He is good.
- We can know God because He has made Himself known through creation and Word.
- God alone is our source of life and joy.

**Every student should feel...**

- Loved by God, and thankful for His love for us.
- Broken over the depth of our sin against God.
- Joy in Jesus, the only Son of God who came to save us.

**Every student should strive to...**

- Memorize the Bible verse each week about who God is.
- Pray that God would open their hearts and minds to know Him more.
- Tell someone else about the God who is.

**Every student should ask God to...**

- Learn more about the God who has made Himself known.
- Repent of their sin and of the lies they believe about God.
- Cling to God as the source of truth.

**STUDENT WORKOUT:**

This week we will consider what it means that God is the Father. We will pray for a greater trust of God's care of us and we will practice growing in our trust of the Father.



**Read and meditate on Luke 11:9-13; 12:22-31 this week. As you ponder these verses ask yourself these questions:**

- What are some thoughts you've had about God as a Father?
- How much does your view of your earthly father influence your view of God the Father?
- How have you seen the Father's provision for you in your daily life?

Ponder ways you can grow in your understanding of God as the Father. How can you set your mind on eternal things to increase your trust of God's provision for you?



**Spend time praying each day this week.**

As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to help you trust in the Father's provision for you.

Set aside time to pray with your parent this week. As you pray together ask the Holy Spirit to help you model for your friends what it looks like to trust in God the Father.



**Make a list of character traits you see in your earthly father or another earthly father.**

Next, make a star next to each trait that you see in God the Father. Expand your list to include traits that are true of only God the Father. Find Scripture that supports the traits of God the Father that you wrote down.

Memorize 1 Corinthians 8:6 this week by writing the verse on an index card or in your phone.

Meet with your small group leader to discuss ways you can increase your trust of God the Father and His provision for you daily.