

BIG TRUTH: GOD IS KNOWN

Psalm 76:1; John 1:14, 1:18; Romans 1:19; 1 Corinthians 8:3

BIBLE VERSE: John 1:14

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

BIG IDEAS

- God makes Himself known through His creation.
- God makes Himself known through His Word.
- God makes Himself known through His Son.

BIBLE STORY: EXODUS 3

God has always made Himself known to the world. During the life of Moses, God spoke to Moses personally. One of the ways He spoke to Moses was through a burning bush. God used this bush and fire to reveal certain things about Himself to Moses and the world.

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.

BIG AIMS**Every child 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 child 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 child 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 child should want:**

- 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.

GOD SPEAKS

Use two paper cups and string to create a “telephone”. Punch a hole in the bottom of both cups and run the string through both of them. Tie knots at each end of the string. Play a game where you “talk” to your preschooler through the “phone”. Discuss with them how humans speak to one another in many ways and God speaks to us through creation, His Word, and Jesus.

DISCOVER IT:

Read Exodus 3.

THINK ABOUT IT:

Can you imagine seeing a burning bush that didn't burn up? When God called Moses to lead His people out of Egypt, He spoke to Moses through a burning bush. The bush, though it was on fire, didn't burn up. God spoke to Moses and revealed His purpose and plan. He also revealed, or showed, His great power and control to Moses. God controlled whether the bush burned up or not. He kept the fire from destroying the bush. God shows Himself to the world through His creation. There are aspects of God's character that are visible in the physical world. God also shows us who He is in His Word, or the Bible. The Bible teaches us about God and how He works in the world and in our lives. Lastly, God shows Himself through Jesus because Jesus is God in the flesh. This means that Jesus, who is fully God, came to the earth and took on human form. He lived among other people. When we look at Jesus' life and ministry on the earth, we learn so much about who God is and how He works in the world. God is a good God who doesn't keep Himself hidden from the world. He can be known because He makes Himself known.

TALK ABOUT IT:

- How does God speak to His people? (He speaks to His people through His Word and Jesus.)
- How can we know God? (We can know Him through creation, the Word, and Jesus.)



As a family, memorize John 1:14 by writing the verse on the sidewalk in chalk. Take turns saying the verse out loud and then say it together several times.



As a family, spend time reading the story of Moses in Exodus 3. Help your child point out the things we learn about God from this story, such as His power and control over creation. Remind them that God speaks to us through His Word and creation.



Play a game of “Simon Says” with your child. Allow your child to be Simon. After you play, talk with your child about how God speaks to us through His Word and tells us what He wants us to do just like He spoke to Moses through the burning bush.



As a family spend time in prayer this week. Model praising God for making Himself known to us.