

GOD CREATED FAMILY

BIG TRUTH: GOD CREATED FAMILY

Genesis 2:24; 9:1; Psalm 127:3-5; 78:5; 145:4; Deuteronomy 11:18-19

BIBLE VERSE: GENESIS 1:27-28

“So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. And God blessed them. And God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.’”

BIG IDEAS

- The family reflects God’s image.
- The family exists to spread God’s fame.
- The family is good.

BIBLE PASSAGE: GENESIS 1:26-31**UNITE - I AM PART OF A FAMILY**

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

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

- Family exists for God.
- Their heart was bought with a price.
- God is building His family through adoption.

**Every student should feel...**

- Broken over the ways that sin has fractured their family and the family of God.
- Hope that one day, their adoption as sons and daughters of God will be fully realized

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

- Memorize Romans 8.
- Do one new thing each week to honor their parents or siblings.
- Find one new way to love and serve their church family.

**Every student should want...**

- To glorify God in their families.
- To see their family, and the church family, as gifts from God.
- To share the truth that Jesus made our adoption possible with someone

STUDENT WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder the goodness of family. We will pray to be productive members of our family and we will practice helping our family make God’s name famous.

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Read and meditate on Genesis 1:26-31 this week.

As you ponder these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

- How can you see the goodness of family in your own family?
- Are you a productive member of your family? If not, how can you pursue being more productive in your family?
- How can your family help you fulfill your created purpose?

Ponder what it means to make God's name famous in the world through your family. How can you help your family reflect God's image to the world?



Set aside time to pray each day this week.

- During this time of prayer, ask the Holy Spirit to help you have a better understanding of the goodness of family.
- Pray with your small group leader this week. As you pray together, pray that you would not take your family for granted, but would see God's goodness in placing you in a family.



Write down the names of your immediate family members.

- Next to each name write down a way that you can serve them this week. Think of specific ways that you can lighten their load this week. Commit to carry out your list this week to serve your family.
- Meet with your small group leader this week. When you meet, discuss ways that you have not helped your family reflect God's image to the world and ways that you can do better at helping your family reflect God's image.