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# GOD MAKES HIMSELF KNOWN THROUGH FAMILY



## BIG TRUTH: GOD MAKES HIMSELF KNOWN THROUGH FAMILY

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

## **BIBLE VERSE: GENESIS 17:7**

"And I will establish my covenant between me and you and your offspring after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you."

### **BIG IDEAS**

- God is creating a new family with a new identity.
- God makes and keeps His covenant.
- God's family exists to display His glory to the world.

# BIBLE PASSAGE: GENESIS 17:1-8, EPHESIANS 2:17-20, 1 JOHN 3:1-3

# 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

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## 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 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.



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#### 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 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

## FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter the ways God reveals Himself through family. We will pray for them to understand that God keeps His covenants. We will lead them to practice displaying God's glory through family.





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#### Read and meditate on Genesis 17:1-8 this week.

- As you read these verses, ask yourself some of these questions:
- How have you learned about God through your own family? How can you teach these things to your son or daughter? How can you discuss with your son or daughter the covenant that God made with Abraham?

#### Consider how you can model glorifying God through family for your son or daughter.

• What are some ways you can lead your son or daughter to practice displaying God's glory to the world through family?



#### Spend time praying this week.

- As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to guide your son or daughter to a greater understanding of how God is a covenant keeper.
- Pray with your student this week. As you pray together, model thanking God for being a covenant keeper.



Help your son or daughter memorize Genesis 17:7 this week by writing the verse on an index card and going over it with your son or daughter every day.

- Discuss with your son or daughter the ways that God reveals Himself to us through family. Discuss ways that your family and the family of God can display God's glory to the world.
- Talk with your student about ways that he or she can participate in displaying God's glory through His family.