

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



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 what it means to glorify God through family. We will pray for a greater understanding of how God relates to us through family and we will practice displaying His glory in the world.

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

Ask yourself some of these questions:

- How does God's covenant with Abraham reveal His faithfulness to you? How can you share this truth with others?
- What are some false ideas you've had about God? How does the truth that God keeps His promises encourage you to trust Him and serve Him?

Ponder how God has revealed Himself through family. How can you learn about God by the way He has established family and created a special family for Himself?



Set aside time to pray each day this week.

- Pray thanking God for creating family and revealing Himself through family.
- Pray with your parents this week. As you pray together, ask the Holy Spirit to help you grow in your understanding of how God's family exists to show His glory to the world.



Memorize Genesis 17:7 this week.

- Write the verse on an index card or put it in your phone. Spend time each day learning the verse until you have it memorized.
- Reread Genesis 17:1-8. Make a list of the details of the covenant God made with Abraham. Next, write down ways that God has revealed Himself through family such as showing us that He is our heavenly Father, sending His Son to save us, etc.
- Spend time discussing the ways you see God revealed through family with your small group leader this week.