BIG TRUTH: WE BELONG TO GOD'S FAMILY

John 10:28-29; Ephesians 2:4-5; 3:14-15; 1 Peter 2:10; Ephesians 3:6

BIBLE VERSE: ROMANS 8:37-39

"No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am sure neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

BIG IDEAS

- More than conquerors, we are family.
- Nothing can separate us from the Father's love.
- God's children can walk in confident dependence.

BIBLE PASSAGE: ROMANS 8:37-39

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 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 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 what it means to belong to God's family. We will pray for them to understand their dependence upon God and we will lead them to walk in confident dependence upon God.

WE BELONG TO GOD'S FAMILY





Read and meditate on Romans 8:37-39 this week.

As you think about these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

• How can you model confident dependence upon God for your son or daughter? How can you help your son or daughter understand that believers belong to God's family?

Ponder how you can discuss with your son or daughter what it means to never be separated from God's love. How can you lead them in a discussion of God's unchanging love?



Pray for your son or daughter this week.

- As you pray ask the Holy Spirit to help your son or daughter understand that God's love is unchanging and that they can never be separated from it.
- Pray with your student this week. As you pray model asking the Holy Spirit to help you walk in confident dependence this week.



Discuss with your son or daughter wrong ideas he or she may have about God's love.

- Help them identify ways to replace the wrong ideas with truth and commit to help them do that this week.
- Discuss with your student ways he or she can practically walk in confident dependence this week.