

## ATTRIBUTES OF GOD FAMILY DEVOTIONAL

Adapted from <https://www.kidssundayschool.com>

### LESSON 3: GOD IS GOOD

Supplies needed:

- A Bible for each parent and child (the International Children’s Bible version is very kid-friendly)
- Blank paper and/or a white board with pens
- A concordance (many bibles have them in the back) [Bible Gateway is also a good source.](#)
- For “God is Good” object lesson:
  - 5 large clear cups,
  - Dropper, 1 tray, coffee filter,
  - Sand, gravel, charcoal, dirt,
  - Funnel, pitcher of water

### PRAY

Include among other petitions:

1. Praise to God for the opportunity to learn together about Him.
2. A request for guidance, especially that the Word of God can be shared in a meaningful way.
3. Ask that you will each be open to learning the Word of God and to invite the Holy Spirit to be present in everyone's heart and in your home.

### ACTIVITY

PREPARATION:

Have a blank piece of paper or a white board available with a pen.

WHAT YOU WILL DO:

Explain that today we are going to learn about one of God’s attributes – His goodness.

Ask: What are some other words that mean the same thing as “good” or “goodness”?

Write them on the paper/whiteboard as they say them.

Here are some possibilities:

Above average	Favorable	Splendid
Acceptable	Great	Stupendous
Desirable	Honorable	Super
Excellent	Marvelous	Superb
Exceptional	Pleasing	Superior
Exemplary	Right	Wonderful
	Righteous	Worth

Here is a dictionary definition of goodness: (Write on paper/whiteboard if there is enough room.)

1. Excellence
2. Morally good – “be good”
3. Benevolence – “being good to others”
4. That which is desirable

Ask: Which of these definitions do you think describes God?

Say: This morning/today we are going to look deeper into God’s goodness.

## MEMORY WORK

**The Lord is good to all;**

**He has compassion on all he has made. Psalm 145:9**

### PREPARATION:

Write the memory verse on a blank paper or whiteboard leaving room in between each row.

Tell your children that this will be our memory verse for this week.

Have your children say the verse out loud all together.

Draw a picture above each / most of the words to help the children remember that word.

Involve them in getting ideas.

Have the children say the verse out loud all together again using the pictures. Then, erase the words leaving only the pictures, and have the children say the verse out loud again.

PRAISE MUSIC - use these or choose your own

[God Is So Good animated](#)

[God Is Good All the Time with motions](#)

[Goodness of God](#)

The following link is from RightNow Media, which you have a free subscription for through our church. If you have been unable to sign in, please contact Mary Kamas @ 979-777-1038, so you and your family will have access to the wonderful children’s programs and adult Bible teaching.

[Praise music of Bible verses for children](#)

## SCRIPTURE READING AND DISCUSSION

(You can assign the scriptures to different children to read aloud or read them aloud yourself. However, if you choose to read them, help your children to find the verses, so they will become comfortable with their Bibles.)

### INTRODUCTION:

God's goodness is everywhere, and we can be thankful for having such a wonderful God. As we read from Psalm 145, listen to all the different ways God shows His goodness.

Read Psalm 145 (The Praise of David)

Discussion Questions:

1. Who can fathom God's greatness according to verse 3? (No one.)
2. According to verse 7, what should we do because of God's abundant goodness? (Celebrate.)
3. Look at verse 10, what will everything God made do? (Praise Him.)
4. Where is God for all those who call on Him in truth (verse 18)? (He is near.)
5. What does God do for those who fear Him (verse 19)? (He fulfills their desires.)
6. What does God do for those who love Him (verse 20)? (He watches over them.)
7. In what other ways have you seen God's goodness take place today? (Allow for discussion.)

### OPTIONAL STUDY:

#### PREPARATION:

Print out a copy of the attached "God is Good optional study." For older children, they may want their own copy or you can work on it together.

This can also be completed later in the week as "homework."

Depending on the age of the children, take a few moments to discuss what a Bible concordance is and how to use it.

Using a concordance or Bible Gateway online, together or individually, find a supporting verse for each statement (or as time allows).

### GOD IS GOOD OBJECT TALK

#### WHAT YOU WILL DO:

Do both parts of this object talk on a large tray to catch any spills.

#### Part 1 - Cup Full of Goodness – (2 large clear cups, pitcher of water, dropper)

- Fill one cup of water completely full to the top and maybe even overflowing.
- As you fill the cup with water, say, "This represents God's goodness. God's goodness ever is and ever will be the same fullness."
- Take one dropper full of water from "God's cup" and put it into another empty cup.
- Say, "This represents our goodness. Our goodness comes from God and is always changing. BUT, God's goodness is never lessened when He gives us goodness."

Part 2 - God is Pure Goodness – (3 large clear cups, coffee filter, sand, gravel, charcoal, dirt, funnel, water)

- Fill two cups with water, one full and the other half way. The full one will represent God's pure goodness. Add some dirt to the half-filled cup to represent us. Set up the other cup with the funnel, filter, gravel, charcoal and then the sand.
- Say, "God is pure, but we have to be purified."
- Explain that you are going to attempt to purify our water and make it as pure as God's. Pour dirty water through the filter with gravel, charcoal and sand. As the water drips through, ask the children, "Can we purify ourselves and become as good as God?" (No) Why not? (Because no one can be as good as God.)
- Ask the kids, "How can we be purified?" (By confessing our sins to God, asking for His forgiveness, accepting Jesus as our Lord and Savior, and asking the Holy Spirit to come and live in us.)

#### APPLICATION

God is good and loving. Because of God's goodness, we should worship Him daily. Without God, there would be no good in the world. Take time each day to look around and thank God for all the good you see. As you do, you will see that God abundantly blesses us with His goodness each and every day.

Discussion Questions:

1. What did you learn today about God's goodness? (Allow for discussion.)
2. How will you share what you learned about God's goodness? (Allow for discussion.)

#### CLOSE IN PRAYER