



WEEKLY

A Family Discipleship Resource



week of

Sunday, March 21

CREATE TIME



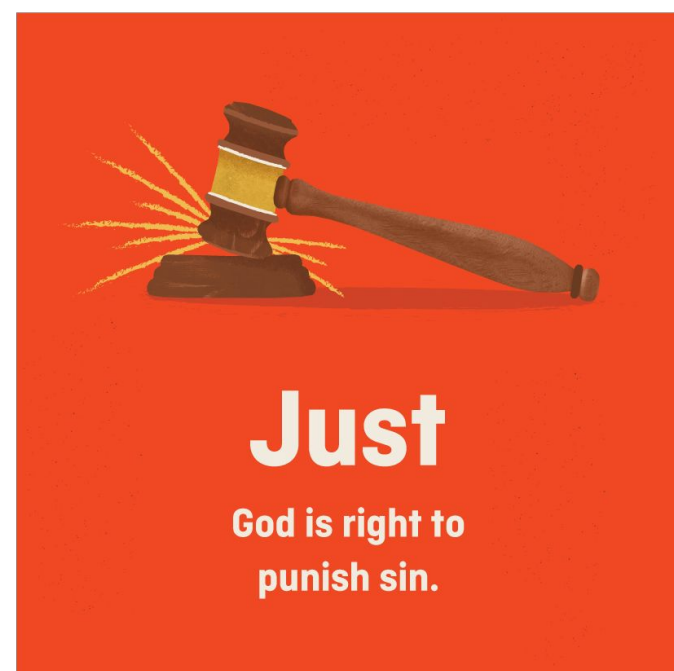
CAPTURE MOMENTS



AND CELEBRATE MILESTONES



TOGETHER



BIBLE STORY

Jesus Clears the Temple
Matthew 21:12-13

BIG TRUTH

God is Just
He is right to punish sin.

NOTE TO PARENTS

This week, we continued in our Timeline of God's Big Story in the Bible. We are continuing to look at the life of Jesus. If you have timeline cards we are at "Lives a Perfect Life" and "Disciples follow Jesus".

As we have been walking through God's Big Story this year, we have learned some of God's attributes. An attribute is a word that tells us what someone or something is like. God tells us who He is and what He is like in the Bible, His Word. Every story, person, place, and event in the Bible is true. We hope you find time this week to study and discuss together all the amazing ways God shows us He is worthy of all glory and our trust.



TIME

Centering the home on God's Word

After this week's lesson, ask:

1. What attribute of God did we learn about today? *God is just.*
2. What does it mean for God to be just? *He is right to punish sin.*
3. What are some ways we sin? *We see things as more valuable than God, disobey, decide what is best for ourselves, etc.*
4. What kind of heart do we have? *A self heart: that is sinful and has ourselves in the center.*
5. What kind of heart does God desire for His children? *A God heart: that gives God glory and has God at the center.*
6. How did Jesus save God's children from sin and the just punishment they deserve? *When Jesus died on the cross for sin, He took all of God's anger toward sin and the punishment that God's children deserve.*

Read John 6:40 as a family. Talk about which testament, book, chapter, and verse this passage is found in.

1. What words in this passage do you not recognize or understand?
Will of – God's plan
Eternal – lasting forever
2. What is God's plan? *God has adopted into His family those who love and trust Jesus*
3. Where can we see what God desires for us? *The Bible and through the life of Jesus.*
4. Is it hard for you to believe that God is right to punish sin?
5. As a family, how can we remind one another that God's commands are for our good?

Spend time reading the following verses:

John 3:36
Romans 3:23
Romans 6:23
Romans 8:32
Proverbs 28:13



MOMENTS

Proclaiming the truth as you go

- If kids are struggling with obedience, talk about how God is just. He gives us rules for our good. We can trust He is always good, wise and loving.
- King for a day! Take turns sharing what you would do if you were king for a day. What rules, would you have? Then, talk about how God is an amazing King worthy of our obedience, love, and trust.
- Explain that sin has broken everything in this world and because of that there are many people all over the world who suffer every day. God calls His children to fight for these people! Visit @ijm and pray for people around the world who are in slavery and those fighting for their freedom. Consider donating if you can!

SERVE Write a thank you note to a local town hall or police officer. Thank them for all they do to help protect and serve your city.

PRAY TOGETHER AS A FAMILY Praise God that He is good and just! Thank Him for providing Jesus to save sinners. Confess that rules are sometimes hard to follow and the times you act from a self heart (sin). Ask Him to help you have a God heart that loves and trusts God most.

MEMORY VERSE

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Colossians 3:17 (ESV)