

Child's Name: _____

Lesson Passage—Psalm 33:1-15

1Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him. 2Praise the LORD with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre. 3Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy.

4For the word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does. 5The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.

6By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth. 7He gathers the waters of the sea into jars; he puts the deep into storehouses. 8Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the people of the world revere him. 9For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.

10The LORD foils the plans of the nations; he thwarts the purposes of the peoples. 11But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations.

12Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he chose for his inheritance. 13From heaven the LORD looks down and sees all mankind; 14from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth-- 15he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do.

Through God's word we discover what is right and true.
Then we live it out in all we say and do.



LESSON 21



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

Why should we fear God?

MEMORY VERSE

Isaiah 33:5-6

(The LORD)is exalted, for he dwells on high; he will fill Zion with justice and righteousness. He (will be the sure foundation for your times, a rich store of salvation and wisdom and knowledge; the fear of the LORD is the key to this treasure.)

Thinking It Through

Level 3—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of the child, or parent preference, the child may do the work in this journal independently or read with and dictate an answer to the parent. After reading the day’s rhyme and the Bible verse, the child should draw a picture that relates to that day’s reading and answer the question at the bottom of the page. Have the child answer questions about the day’s reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week’s big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory. Depending on the age and/or ability of the child, either the whole verse or the part of the verse between brackets on the cover can be memorized.
- **Concluding Lesson:** The parent should discuss with the child the **Thinking it Through** questions: What important truth did you learn this week? How can you apply that truth in your life? After discussing the questions the child should write down (or dictate to the parent) the answers and a prayer at the end of the booklet. The child can then complete the other activities.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day’s work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn’t always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

The important truth I learned this week is:

I can apply that truth by:

My prayer to God is:

Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: Who are the three persons of God? How many gods are there? What does it mean that God is holy and perfect? How can we honor God?

Day 2: How is God different from us? Why can't we see God?

Day 3: How do we know that God is real? Why is God worthy of praise? What is praise? What can we do to praise God?

Day 4: Who is Jesus? What does Jesus help us understand? How does Jesus show God's love?

Day 5: What does it mean to exalt God? What is shame? How do we bring shame on ourselves? How do we please God?

Day 6: What happens when we honor and exalt God? What causes God to turn his back on us?

Concluding Lesson

Review: Who are the three persons of God? How many Gods are there? What does it mean that God is holy and perfect? How can we honor God? How is God different from us? Why can't we see God? How do we know that God is real? Why is God worthy of praise? What is praise? What can we do to praise God? What does it mean to exalt God? What is shame? How do we bring shame on ourselves? How do we please God?

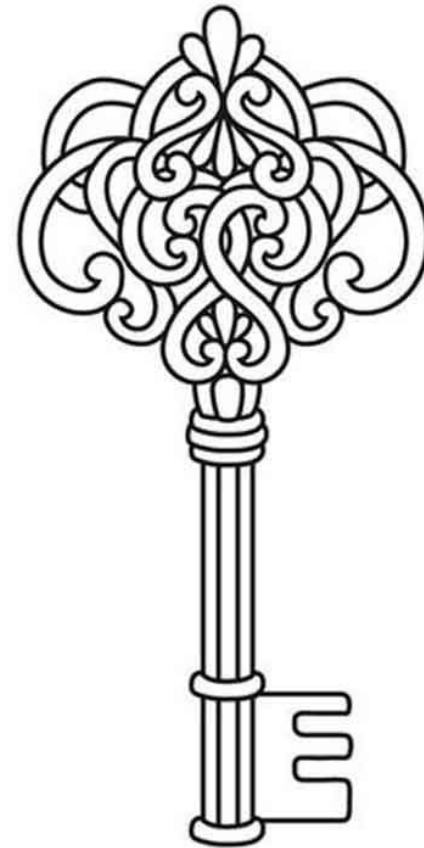
Prayer: Thank God that he is God and worthy of honor and praise. Pray that you would learn to honor and exalt him more. Thank him for giving you life and pray that you would live your life in a way that honors him.

Application: Make a list of things God has done and characteristics of who he is that make him worthy of worship. Thank him for doing and being those things.

Thinking It Through: Have the child write or dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson, how he/she can apply that truth, and a prayer to God.

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Why should we fear God?



The fear of the Lord is the key to salvation and wisdom.

Day 1

Draw a picture of you worshipping God.

Our God is holy, perfect:
 Father, Spirit, Son.
Although he is three persons,
 he is really only one.
As he is holy, perfect,
 there is nothing he does wrong,
And so to him in worship
 we exalt his name in song.

What does the verse mean?

Hebrews 1:3: ³ The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

Day 6

Draw a happy picture of yourself.

When we honor and exalt God,
 we are doing what is right.
Our hearts are filled with joy,
 understanding and God's light.
But if we follow other gods,
 our lives will always lack.
In chasing after what is wrong,
 we cause God to turn his back.

What does the verse mean?

Psalm 100:2-3: ² Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. ³ Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Day 5

Draw a picture of yourself doing something good.

Exalt means that we honor God
and praise his holy name.
We worship and adore him,
not do what brings him shame.
We understand that through him
we have everything we need.
So we do what pleases him,
In thought and word and deed.

What does the verse mean?

Psalm 99:1-3: ¹ The LORD reigns, let the nations tremble; he sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake. ² Great is the LORD in Zion; he is exalted over all the nations. ³ Let them praise your great and awesome name— he is holy.

Day 2

Draw a picture of you looking into the sky.

God is very different,
he is not like us at all.
While he is great and mighty,
we are very small.
He doesn't have a body;
he's a spirit everywhere.
So we cannot see his face,
like we cannot see the air.

What does the verse mean?

Isaiah 44:6: ⁶ "This is what the LORD says— Israel's King and Redeemer, the LORD Almighty: I am the first and I am the last; apart from me there is no God.

Day 3

Draw a picture of different things God has made.

But we know that God is real;
 he created you and me.
He made the things around us,
 everything that we can see.
Because he is creator,
 he is worthy of our praise.
So to honor and exalt him,
 we in worship voices raise.

What does the verse mean?

Colossians 1:16: ¹⁶ For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him.

Day 4

Draw a picture of Jesus on the cross.

Jesus is the Son of God;
 he's God in every way.
So we honor and exalt him
 in what we do and say.
Jesus helps us understand
 the love God has for men.
Since he gave his life to rescue us,
 saving us from sin.

What does the verse mean?

Colossians 1:19-20: ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.