



## Family Discipleship Resource

**Key Point:** God is holy. He is completely perfect and separate from sin.

Today we learned that God is holy. Through the story of Adam and Eve's disobedience in Genesis 3, we saw that God is completely perfect and separate from sin. There is no one and nothing like God.

**Capture discipleship moments:** As a family, spend time reading and talking about God's Word. Anytime we open the Bible and talk about God, we need to pray and ask Him to help us because only God can teach our hearts. Pray with your family for God to give understanding and belief.

1. Today, you learned that God is holy. What does it mean for God to be holy?  
God is completely perfect and separate from sin.
2. How did sin come into the world? (Recap the story of **Genesis 3**.)
  - God was good and provided for Adam and Eve perfectly.
  - God told Adam and Eve they could eat from every tree in the garden except one, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (TKGE). But the Serpent (Satan) tempted Eve. He lied to her, telling her God was keeping something good from her. She chose to eat the forbidden fruit and Adam did too.
  - When they ate, they sinned. Adam and Eve knew they deserved death and they felt ashamed (a deep, deep embarrassment), so they hid from God.
3. What is sin?  
Sin is when we love and trust something more than God. It is when we disobey God or do not show, honor, and enjoy Him as most valuable.
4. Where is sin? Is it just our actions? Is it just the bad things we think, feel, say, and do?  
Sin is in our hearts (the heart we feel with). It starts there and comes out in our actions, words, thoughts, and emotions.
5. How does God feel about sin?  
God is angry with sin, because it keeps Him from being with His creation. God must be separate from sin, because He is holy. Therefore, God cannot be in relationship with sinners.
6. **Open to and read Isaiah 59:2.** Are there any words you do not recognize or understand?  
Iniquities: another way to refer to sin or wickedness;  
Separated: to be away from, disconnected.
7. According to this verse, what has happened because of sin?  
All people are separated from God, His face is hidden from us; He will not hear us.
8. Is being separated from God a good thing or bad thing? Why?  
It is bad because God gives us what is best for us. He is our greatest good. Being separated from Him means we are away from what is best for us. There is no joy or life apart from God.
9. Do we deserve to be fully separated from God and everything good?  
Yes- because our hearts are full of sin, and God and sin do not go together.

# THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

A study for children on the nature and character of God



10. **Open to and read 1 Peter 3:18a.** Who made a way for God's children to be near Him even though they are sinners? How? **Jesus! He died in the place of God's children and took the punishment they deserved for sin. God's anger toward sin was put on Jesus, and He was punished instead of God's children. That made a way for all who love and trust Him to be forgiven for sin and adopted into God's family. Jesus was righteous - perfect and holy. The one without sin died for those with sin in order to bring them to God.**
11. How should we respond to God because He is holy?  
**Love and trust Jesus. Worship and glorify God (show, honor, and enjoy Him as most valuable).**

**\*\*Additional passages for family study:** Together, open to and read **Isaiah 40:25-26.**

Remind your child(ren) that **God is holy: He is completely perfect and separate from sin.** For God to be holy also means there is no one like Him. No one and nothing comes close to His greatness, power, and wisdom. We worship God because He is holy.

*If you have a 1st grader, walk step by step through finding this passage in the Bible, starting with the Table of Contents. If you have an older child, consider reading the entire chapter and then focusing on v.25-26.*

1. What words in this passage do you not recognize or understand?
2. What words in this passage describe God?
3. Who made the stars and keeps them in the sky?
4. Is there anyone as powerful as God? Is there anyone we can compare to Him?  
**No. God is unique and special. There is no one like Him.**
5. As a family, how does knowing that God is holy lead us to worship Him?

**Create discipleship time:** Recap by asking your kids what they learned, as they **color their Holy Attribute Sign** for your Attribute Wall at home.

1. What is one thing you learned about God today?  
**God is holy. He is completely perfect and separate from sin. God and sin do not go together.**
2. What is one thing you learned about yourself today?  
**I can be near God because Jesus died for sin.**

**Pray together as a family. Praise** God because He is holy. He is completely perfect and separate from sin. **Thank** God that Jesus paid the price for sin so His children could be brought near to God. **Confess** to God areas of your life that you aren't pursuing holiness. **Ask** God to cause you to hate sin because it separates you from God, your greatest good.

**This Month's Memory Verse** *For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome.* 1 John 5:3