

Glorious

Main Idea

• God shows His greatness and worth.

Memory Verses

(Choose one)

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. —Psalm 19:1

Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with His glory! --Psalm 72:19a

SCRIPTURE

- 1) Exodus 15:1, 6-7, 10-11
- 2) Psalm 19:1-4a
- 3) Psalm 72:19a
- 4) Psalm 78:4b
- 5) Psalm 145:1-6
- 6) Romans 1:20a



LESSON SUMMARY

What is the glory of God? One way to understand God's glory that is particularly helpful for children is to observe His creation. It is God's own show and tell of His "invisible attributes...his eternal power and divine nature" (Romans 1:20). Here is a helpful insight from Pastor John Piper:

God's glory is the beauty of His manifold perfections. It can refer to the bright and awesome radiance that sometimes breaks forth in visible manifestations. Or it can refer to the infinite moral excellence of His character. In either case, it signifies a reality of infinite greatness and worth... God's ultimate goal therefore is to preserve and display His infinite and awesome greatness and worth, that is, His glory.¹

God's glory is no small matter. Therefore, it is crucial to lay a foundation of this truth for our children. In this lesson, God's glory was likened to a "show and tell" jewelry box, filled with beautiful, sparkling, valuable jewels—the jewels representing God's divine attributes, which He reveals through His creation and by all of His deeds.

PRAYER POINTS

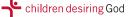
As you review this lesson with your child, pray...



- that your child would have a humble heart that acknowledges God at the center of the universe, and not us.
- for God to make His glories known in very practical ways in the life of your child this week.

As You Walk By The Way

- Read and discuss Psalm 19:1-4a. (You may want to show some pictures illustrating the diversity of God's creation as you do this.) How does God show us His glory through what He has made? Did you see His glory this week? Where? Do you see His glory in this room? Where? How do these things show you how great God is?
- Review Exodus 15:1-11. What glorious deeds had God done? What other deeds has God done (from the Bible and from real-life experience) that show His greatness and worth? Have a



^{1.} Piper, John. *Desiring God: Meditations of a Christian Hedonist*. (Colorado Springs, Colo.: Multnomah Press, 1996), 31-32.

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time of prayer, thanking and praising God that He is glorious.

 Read Psalm 145:1-6. When God shows us His greatness and worth (His glory), how should we act toward Him? What does this psalm say? Explain that the psalmist uses words, such as "extol God; bless Him; praise Him." The psalmist says that we should praise God and tell others about God and what He has done. We should think about His glorious deeds. What can you do this week to praise God when you have seen that He is glorious? How could you tell someone about a glorious thing that God has done? How could you study a wondrous work of God?

ACTION STEP

This week, every night before going to bed, recall three glorious deeds of God that you observed or experienced.

MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY

Use the special code to discover what words are missing in the memory verses.

