Date | **June 20, 2021** Family Theme | **God Is Holy**Study Text | **Exodus 15:11; Psalm 86:8-10; 1 Samuel 2:2-3; Isaiah 6:1-6** 

**Objective:** Help your children understand that God is holy. He is distinct and without sin. We are to strive to be holy just as He is holy.

How This Lesson Fits in the Story of the Bible: This lesson proclaims a foundational truth about God found all throughout the Bible. God is holy. His very nature is holiness.

Bible Basics: Memorize Hebrews 11:6 this week and work with family members to do so as well.

## Read the Word: Exodus 15:11; Psalm 86:8-10; 1 Samuel 2:2-3; Isaiah 6:1-6

## **Disciple Your Kids**

Help your children and grandchildren understand that God is pure and without sin and distinct from all others. He is unique among all that exists. We are to strive to be holy like Him.



### Key Truth: God Is Set Apart From All Others (Exodus 15:11; Psalm 86:8-10)

God is holy in His very nature. Holiness typifies the transcendent, unapproachable attributes of God. In order to understand His holiness, we must first understand how the term is used in Scripture. There are two main ideas conveyed — separateness and perfection. The Hebrew (Old Testament) and Greek (New Testament) words most frequently used for *holy* refer to things that are distinct, set apart, or sacred. This leads us to understand that a key attribute of God is that He is unique among all that exists. When we say God is holy, part of what we mean is that He is separate and distinct. Nothing can compare with Him.



#### Key Truth: God Is Pure and Without Sin (1 Samuel 2:2-3; Isaiah 6:1-6)

The word used for *holy* that occurs with the second most frequency (118 times) in the Hebrew text more specifically means that which is sacred and is often used to refer to things that are morally separate, unstained, or pure. God is uniquely pure (1 Samuel 2:2). No others are holy like Him. He defines what pure actually is. In Isaiah 6:1-6, the heavenly beings cover themselves in His presence. Isaiah instantly recognized the Lord as holy and was more aware than ever of his sin and the sinfulness of all mankind when confronted with the absolute standard of God's holy presence. Thus, God is always right and always does what is right. We worship the one true God by emulating His righteous nature. Our conduct should be a testament to His holiness by demonstrating the rightness of His ways in contrast to the folly of sin. Worship and obedience are the only sensible responses to the holy God.

### **Discussion Starters**

Use one or more of the following questions as discussion starters with your kids this week.

- · How would you define the term holy?
- · How should God's holiness affect how we view Him and how we live our lives?
- · What does it look like for us to strive to be holy as God is holy?

- In what way will you strive to be holy this week, like God is holy?
- For Elementary: What does it mean that God is holy?
- For Elementary: What characteristics of God's holiness can you work on applying to your life this week?

# **Everyday Extras**

Collect adjectives. Challenge each family member to collect ten words to describe himself or herself. These can be words others use about them or words they choose for themselves. They can be words about the way they work or learn or play. Ask everyone to share their list of words at dinner. Then ask everyone to circle the words on the list that would also describe God. We know God is holy and no one can measure up to Him. But we also know we should be growing more like Him. Ask each family member to make an action plan to take steps to be more like God.

This is Father's Day! Ask your dad or granddad to teach you to tie a necktie, change a tire, or change an air conditioner filter. Maybe everyone in the family can tell a joke in his honor!

# Preschool Highlights for SQUARE & ROUND

Today your child learned about Naaman who was very sick with sores all over his body. A servant girl told his wife about a prophet named Elisha who could heal him. Naaman went to the king to see if he could go to Israel to meet with Elisha. The servant girl had faith God would use Elisha to heal Naaman. **God Is Faithful**.