



Questions to aid discussion of the key concepts and for use in games

Be familiar with these questions and answers. Look for opportunities to ask questions and talk about their answers, such as while the children work on their coloring pages, as part of their games, or during play time. Remember: your goal isn't to ask all these questions or to only talk to the children about these things. It is to be deliberate in having good conversations with them, as natural opportunities arise.

<p>BIG QUESTION</p> <p>Meaning</p> <p>Discussion Questions</p>	<p>What Is God's Love for His People Like? It's More than They Could Ever Deserve!</p> <p>God has a special people He loves. They come from all over the world. They've lived in every time --from long ago, all the way up to today. And there's millions and millions of them!</p> <p>There is nothing better than being one of God's special people! God has adopted them as His children. He promises to love and care for them always. They have special closeness with Him in their hearts; and one day when they die, they will go to live with Him forever.</p> <p>God's people know His love for them is more than they could ever deserve. They know God didn't make them His special people because they were so good. They are sinners who have disobeyed His good laws, just like everyone else. They know that God loves them just because He loves them.</p> <p>God's love for His people is the biggest love there will ever be. It's so big that God sent His Son, Jesus, to suffer and die on the cross to pay for their sins. That was the only way they could become His people. We can become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.</p> <p><i>choose a few</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is God's love for His people like? <i>It's more than they could ever deserve.</i> 2. Where are God's special people from? <i>From all over the world and from every time people have lived.</i> 3. What have God's special people said sorry to God about? <i>Their sins.</i> 4. Who have God's special people trusted in as their own Savior? <i>Jesus.</i> 5. How long does God promise to love His people? <i>Forever!</i> 6. What is better than being one of God's special people? <i>Nothing!</i> 7. Did God make them His special people because they were so good? <i>No. He loves them because He loves them.</i> 8. What must we do, if we are to be God's special people? <i>Turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior.</i>
<p>THE GOSPEL</p>	<p>What good news shows us just how great is God's love for His people? <i>In the good news of the gospel!</i></p> <p><i>God made all people--including you and me! And He made us to know Him, love Him, and obey Him. He's our good King. But like the people in our story today, we have all disobeyed God. We want to live life our own way, not His. We all deserve His punishment. How sad! But God is so merciful that He sent a Savior--His Son, Jesus! Jesus suffered and died on the cross. Jesus offered up His perfect life to God to completely pay for the sins of God's people, then He rose from the dead in victory on the third day. We can be God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He loves to help us do this. Ask Him! How good is God to us!</i></p>

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BIBLE VERSE	<p>"Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!" 1 Chronicles 16:34</p>
Meaning	<p>The LORD is God's name. The LORD loves His people with a love that will never end. How wonderful to know a love like that! And we all can, when we turn from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. Don't we have so much to thank the LORD for!</p>
Discussion Questions	<p><i>choose a few</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is God's name? <i>The LORD.</i> 2. What is the LORD's love for His people like? <i>It is the most wonderful love we can ever know.</i> 3. What is the LORD like? <i>He is good--He never does anything wrong...ever!</i> 4. How long does the LORD's love last? <i>Forever!</i> 5. What do God's people thank the LORD for? <i>For loving them forever.</i> 6. How can we become God's people? <i>By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior. God loves to help us do this. Ask Him!</i>
BIBLE STORY	<p>The Case of the Eager Enemy's End Acts 7-9</p>
Discussion Questions	<p><i>choose a few</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who was the eager enemy? <i>Saul.</i> 2. Who was the Eager Enemy enemies with? <i>Jesus and the people who believed in Him.</i> 3. What is a Christian? <i>That's what someone who believes and follows Jesus is called.</i> 4. What did Saul do to the Christians? <i>He hurt them and put them in jail. He wanted to get rid of them.</i> 5. What did Saul want the Christians to stop saying? <i>That Jesus is God's Son.</i> 4. What special job did the leaders at the Temple-Church give Saul? <i>To go to Damascus and make the Christians stop telling people about Jesus.</i> 6. What did Saul see when they were almost to Damascus that was so surprising? <i>Jesus appeared to them in a bright light.</i> 7. What did Jesus tell Saul? <i>That He really was God's Son and to stop hurting the Christians.</i> 8. Did Jesus hurt Saul for being so mean to Him and to the Christians? <i>No. He forgave Saul.</i> 9. What did Saul ask Jesus to do? <i>To forgive his sins and to be his Savior.</i> 10. Who worked in Saul's heart as Saul prayed? <i>The Holy Spirit. He helped Saul to turn away from disobeying God and trust in Jesus as his Savior.</i> 11. What good news did Saul start telling everyone? <i>He told them the gospel! That Jesus really was God's Son, the Savior. That He would be their Savior and forgive their sins, if they would turn away from their sins and trust in Him as their Savior.</i> 12. Did Saul deserve God's love? <i>No, he didn't. God's love was more than he would ever deserve!</i>