

Deep Down Discussion Sheet

use with all THREE lessons

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response activities
for deeper learning**P.1***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 discuss their answers, such as while the children work on their coloring pages, as part of their response games, or during play time. Remember: your goal isn't to ask all these questions or only talk to the children about these things. It is to be deliberate in having good conversations with them, however much or little you have.

<p>BIG QUESTION</p> <p>Meaning</p> <p>Discussion Questions</p> <p><i>choose a few</i></p>	<p>How Should God's People Live? They Should Live Like Jesus!</p> <p>We become God's people when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. When we do, God forgives our sins, and we begin a whole new way of life. God's people no longer live life just to please themselves. They want to honor God with their whole lives, like Jesus did. They seek to love God most of all and love all people, too.</p> <p>1. How should God's people live each day? <i>They should live like Jesus!</i></p> <p>2. Who did Jesus always love? <i>God.</i></p> <p>3. Who did Jesus always please in everything He felt, thought, said, and did? <i>God.</i></p> <p>4. Are God's people perfect like Jesus? <i>No, they are not.</i></p> <p>5. Who do God's people try to live like? <i>Jesus.</i></p> <p>6. How do God's people try to live like Jesus? <i>They try to love God and please Him in everything they feel, think, say, and do.</i></p> <p>7. How can we become God's people? <i>By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.</i></p>
<p>BIBLE TRUTH</p> <p>Meaning</p> <p>Discussion Questions</p> <p><i>choose a few</i></p>	<p>They Should Live Like Jesus...By Making Much of God!</p> <p>There are many things we delight in. Birthdays and Christmas. Learning to ride a bike or how to read. Even beautiful things, like the soft, fluffy snow and colorful rainbows. God's people delight in these things, too. But do you know what (or really WHO) God's people delight in most of all? It's the same person Jesus delighted in most of all... God! Yes! Like Jesus, God's people want to delight in God most of all. They want their lips to be full of praise for Him, and their lives to be pleasing to Him. They want to tell others how good and loving and powerful God is.</p> <p>And they don't want others just to HEAR how amazing God is. They want others to BE His people, too, so they can KNOW God and DELIGHT in how amazing He is, themselves. They want the whole world to delight in God, because God is the most wonderful person we can ever know. And, because it pleases God when we make much of Him, the one, true God.</p> <p>The big, Bible word for making much of God is "glorify." Jesus glorified God with His whole life—in everything He thought, and said, and did. God's people ask God to help them glorify Him, too. We can glorify God, too, when we turn away from our sins, trust in Jesus as our Savior, and live our lives for Him. This is how we become God's people. Let's make much of God!</p> <p>1. What are some thing we like to make a big deal about? <i>Birthdays, Christmas; learning to read or ride a bike; beautiful things, like snow and rainbows.</i></p> <p>2. Who do God's people like to make the biggest deal about? <i>God.</i></p> <p>3. What do God's people want others to know about God? <i>How good and loving and powerful He is.</i></p> <p>4. What do God's people want others to know about Jesus? <i>His wonderful gift of salvation through Him.</i></p> <p>5. What do God's people want everything in their lives to show? <i>How amazing God is, because He is most wonderful of all!</i></p> <p>6. How can we become God's people? <i>By turning away from our sins and trusting in Jesus as our Savior.</i></p>

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THE GOSPEL	What is God's good news for you and me? <i>The gospel! God's people want to make much of God because of all He has done for them. He has treated them so much better than they could ever deserve. God's people, like everyone, have all chosen to disobey God. They deserved His punishment. But God sent His Son, Jesus, to live a perfect life and offer it up as He died on the cross as the full payment for their sins. On the third day, Jesus rose from the dead in victory. He had beaten sin and death for them. God's people turn away from their sins and trust in Jesus as their Savior. They get to know God in their hearts, now. And one day, go to live with God forever. We can become God's people, too, when we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. And if we do, we will want to make a big deal about God's wonderful love for us!</i>
BIBLE TRUTH BIBLE VERSE	"Shout with joy to God, all the earth! Sing the glory of His name! Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! Come and see what God has done... Let me tell you what he has done for me." -- Psalm 66:1-3,5,16, NIV 1984
Meaning	Learn a Little: "Shout with joy to God, all the earth! Sing the glory of His name!" God's people delight in God's glory. He has been so good to them! He has given His Son to save them from their sins. He has provided for their needs with what He knows is best for them. He has filled them with His Holy Spirit, and they have fellowship with Him in their heart. They have never lacked any good thing and they never will their whole life. They want to praise the LORD all the time. They want others to join them in magnifying His name (praising Him) and in knowing Him, themselves. To be one of God's people is the best blessing anyone can ever have.
Discussion Questions <i>choose a few</i>	1. What is glory? <i>Glory is making much of God. It is telling how great He is.</i> 2. Whose glory do God's people delight in? <i>In God's glory.</i> 3. Why do God's people delight in His glory? <i>Because even though they have all disobeyed Him and deserve His punishment, He has chosen to make them His dearly-loved people. He saved them through Jesus.</i> 4. What other good things has the LORD done for His people? <i>He has given them His promise to always take care of them. They will never lack any good thing their whole lives. He will always give them what is best for them.</i> 5. How can we become God's people? <i>We can ask God to help us to turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior. He loves to answer these prayers!</i>
BIBLE STORY	The Case of the Boastful Man
Discussion Questions	<i>choose a few</i> 1. Who did Paul love to boast about? <i>God.</i> 2. What kinds of things could Paul have boasted about himself? <i>He grew up as a Jew, learning God's Word and obeying it. He was a Roman, so he was treated as special in his country. He was very smart and went to a very good school for very smart boys. He was better than most people at keeping all of the little rules his teachers thought God's people should keep.</i> 3. Why didn't Paul think he should boast in these good things about himself? <i>Because he knew that he was a sinner who deserved God's punishment, just like everyone else. But he thought of himself as worse than most people, because he had hurt and even tried to kill many of Jesus' disciples.</i> 4. What did Paul boast about when he went through hard things? <i>How great God was and how able God was to help him do whatever God wanted him to do.</i> 5. Why is God the one we should boast in, instead of any good things about ourselves? <i>Because God is the one, true God. He is the one who even gave us all the good things we can do. He is the only one who can save sinners through Jesus. We should all make much of Him for all He is and has done for us!</i>