2025-03-30 Good

Praise and Worship (15 mins)

> **Parents:** The parent and child scheduled for this week will lead us in singing on Sunday. Please take time to practice the songs together at home, helping your child feel confident and joyful as they prepare to lead.

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Prayer and Offering (5 mins)

> **Parents:** Please encourage your children to bring an offering to church. You may help your child prepare by setting aside a coin for them to bring on Sunday. This is a great opportunity to teach them about giving to God with a thankful heart and trusting Him to provide.

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> ### What is Offering?
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> Offering is when we **give something to God** to show our love and thankfulness. In church, we often give money as an offering, but we can also give our time, talents, and kindness to God and others.
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> ### Why Do We Make an Offering?
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> 1?? **To Thank God** – Everything we have comes from God! Giving back is a way to say, “Thank You, God!”
> 2?? **To Trust God** – When we give, we show that we trust God to take care of us.

> 3?? **To Help Others** – Offerings help the church teach about Jesus, help people in need, and share God's love.
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> The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 9:7,
> *"God loves a cheerful giver!" That means God is happy when we give with a joyful heart!*

Prayer for Offering

> Dear God, thank You for giving us everything we need. We want to give back to You with joyful hearts. Please use our offering to help others and share Your love. Help us to always trust You. In Jesus' name, Amen!

Review Verse from Last Week

> 1. **"Great is our Lord"** ?? (*Stretch both arms up high, like reaching to the sky!*)
> 2. **"And mighty in power"** ? (*Make strong muscles with both arms!*)
> 3. **"His understanding"** ? (*Point to your head, like thinking!*)
> 4. **"Has no limit."** ? (*Stretch arms wide open, like showing something big!*)

Bible Story (10 min): God is Good

Introduction (1 min)

(Hold up two items: a small treat, like a cookie, and a toy syringe or picture of a needle.)

> Good morning, friends! I have a question for you. Look at these two things:
> – A cookie ?
> – A shot from the doctor ?
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> Which one do you think is GOOD? Raise your hand if you think the cookie is good.
> Now raise your hand if you think the shot is good."

(Wait for reactions.)

> Most of us think cookies are good because they taste yummy. Shots don't feel good, but they help us stay healthy. So here's something to think about: **Can something feel bad but still be good?**

> Today, we’re going to hear a true story about someone who learned that God is always good, even when life is really hard.

Story Telling (5 min) - The Story of Corrie ten Boom

> “ Many years ago, during a very big war called World War II, there was a mean and powerful leader named **Adolf Hitler**. He was hurting people—especially Jewish people—just because of who they were.
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> But there was a brave Christian family named the **Ten Booms** who lived in the country of **Holland**. The family loved Jesus. Their names were **Corrie**, her sister **Betsie**, and their father **Mr. Ten Boom**.

(Show pictures or act it out with simple props.)

> “ When they saw that Jewish families were in danger, do you know what they did? They built a **secret hiding place** in their home to **protect** Jewish people! That was dangerous, but they did it anyway because they believed it was the right thing to do.

(Pause for reaction.)

> “ But one day... someone told the soldiers. The Ten Boom family got **caught**. The soldiers arrested them and took them to **prison**.

(Have kids pretend to shiver or wrap arms like they’re cold.)

> “ The prison was dark, cold, stinky, and scary. Corrie was all alone in her little cell. She didn’t know where her sister was. She didn’t know if she’d ever see her family again.

(Pause and lower voice for dramatic effect.)

> “ But one day, when the guards weren’t watching, the prisoners passed little notes through tiny cracks in the wall. Corrie’s sister, Betsie, sent her a note. Do you know what it said?

(Use a folded piece of paper. Pretend to pass it down a row of kids until one opens and reads it.)

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> It said: **“God is good.”**

(Repeat it together with kids: "God is good.")

> “ Wait—what? How could Betsie say that when they were hungry and cold and in prison? Was prison good?
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> No... but Betsie believed something very important: **God is always good—even in the hard times.**

Wrap-up & Discussion (4 min)

Ask:

> “ Was it easy or hard for Corrie and Betsie in prison?

(Let kids respond.)

> “ Why do you think Betsie still said 'God is good'?

(Guide them: Because she trusted God’s love and plan.)

> “ Have you ever had something hard happen—like being sick or sad—but later saw something good come out of it?
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> ? "That means even when life feels hard, we can trust that **God is still doing something good** . Corrie and Betsie were able to tell others about Jesus, even in prison—and that’s good!"
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> ?? "And for everyone who believes in Jesus, God promises to be with us and help us no matter what. Why? Because **God is good—all the time!**"
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> "Let’s all say it together: **God is good—all the time!**"

Memorizing Verse: Psalm 145:9

> Alright! Today we are going to learn a Bible verse that tells us something AMAZING about God. This verse comes from the book of **Psalms**—that's like a songbook in the Bible.
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> Let's learn it **together with motions** so it's easy to remember!

(Say each phrase slowly, do the motion, and have the kids repeat after you. Repeat 2–3 times, growing faster and more confident each round.)

> **"The Lord"**
> **? *Point both hands up***
> **(*Repeat:* "The Lord" – everyone point up!)**
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> **"is good"**
> **? *Give a big thumbs-up***
> **(*Say:* "is good" – thumbs-up!)**
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> **"to all;"**
> **? *Stretch arms wide, like including everyone***
> **(*Say:* "to all" – arms wide!)**
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> **"he has compassion"**
> **? *Cross arms over your chest like a big hug***
> **(*Say:* "he has compassion" – give a hug!)**
>
> **"on all"**
> **? *Point to others around the room***
> **(*Say:* "on all" – point around!)**
>
> **"he has made."**
> **?? *Point to yourself, then sweep your hands out like showing the world***
> **(*Say:* "he has made" – point and sweep!)**

> Let's put it all together now:
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> The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.
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> *— Psalm 145:9*

(*Have kids repeat it after you. Say it a few times with different fun actions.*)

- Eyes closed!
- Whisper voice!
- Robot voice!

> You did it! Now you know that God is good to everyone—not just some people—and He cares so much about every single person He made... that includes YOU!

Craft & Game (10 mins)

Craft (5 min) - “Thank You, God!” Cards

Materials Needed:

- Half sheets of coloured card stock or paper
- Markers or crayons
- Stickers (optional)

> Let’s take a moment to think about some of the GOOD things God has done for us!
> He gives us food, families, friends, sunshine, help when we’re sad—so many things!

(Pass out half sheets of coloured card stock or paper, markers, and crayons)

> You can draw or write one thing God has done that shows He is good. It can be big—like giving you a family—or small—like giving you your favourite snack this week!

(Encourage them.)

> It doesn’t have to be perfect—it just has to come from your heart.

(Prompt with ideas.)

> Did God help you when you were scared?
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> Did He give you someone to play with?
>
> Did you have something yummy to eat?

(Wrap up)

> “ Would anyone like to share what you made?

(Allow 2-3 quick shares.)

> “ These are beautiful! You just made a card that reminds us how good God is. Keep it somewhere this week to help you remember to thank Him!

Game (5 min) - “Good or Not Good?”

What You Say:

> “ Now let’s play a quick game to help us think about what’s good—and what’s not good. When I say something that shows **God’s goodness**, I want you to **JUMP UP** and say, **“GOD IS GOOD!**
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> If it’s something that’s **not good**, I want you to **stay seated** and make a sad face.

□□ Examples of “Good” Statements:

- God gave me a family. ?
- Jesus died for our sins. ?
- I was kind to my friend. ?
- God forgives us. ?
- We had food to eat. ?

□□ Examples of “Not Good” Statements:

- I hit my sister. ?
- I said a mean word. ?
- I stole a toy. ?
- I told a lie. ?

How to Play:

1. Stand kids in a circle or open space.
2. Call out each scenario one at a time.
3. Wait for kids to react—**jump and shout** or **sit with a sad face**.
4. After each, ask:
   “Why was that good or not good?”
   (Quick 1-sentence answers to reinforce learning.)

Wrap-Up

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> Great job, everyone! We learned that **God is good all the time**, and He wants us to do what is good too. When we see His goodness or do something good, we can shout—what?

> **GOD IS GOOD!**

Response Song

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Closing Prayer, Announcement, Birthdays & Snack Time (10 mins)

> Dear God,
> Thank You for showing us today that **You are always good**—in everything You do and in everything You are.
> Even when things feel hard or confusing, we know You are still with us and working for our good.
> Thank You for giving us food, family, friends, and most of all—for loving us so much that You sent Jesus.
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> Please help us this week to remember Your goodness, to trust You, and to share Your love with others.
> We love You, Lord.
> In Jesus' name we pray, let's say altogether
> **Amen.**

Snack Prayer

> **God... knows everything.. Let us thank Him for the snack right now.**
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> **We fold our hands.**
> **We bow our heads.**
> **We thank you, God,**

> **For this daily bread.**
> **Amen**

Free Time & Children Pickup (15 mins)

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