



NORTHVIEW
STUDENTS
5th/6th grade

DATE(S)

October 23-24, 2021

SERIES AND LESSON TITLE

God Is – Week 5 (Worthy)

TAKE-HOME POINT (THP)

God is worthy.

SCRIPTURE FOCUS

Luke 12:6-7; Colossians 1:15-17;
Mark 6:45-56; Matthew 19:26;
Hebrews 4:14-16; Romans 5:1-2;
Ephesians 2:8-9; Psalm 96:1-6; Psalm 145:1-3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Give any Campus-Specific Announcements



THE OVERVIEW

OPENING GAME / GROUP TIME

LARGE-GROUP GAME/ACTIVITY

Back and Forth

There are two ways to play this game! If you play in groups, tell each group they have 45 seconds to write down as many items as each category listed on the screen. The highest score after three rounds wins the game! If you play individually, have each person name an item in the category and then tell the next person to name one. Go as long as you can until someone gets stumped – once they do, that gives a point to the other team. Make it work for your campus!

*****Make sure to test the technology before playing the game!!**

OPENING SMALL GROUP

QUESTIONS

ACTIVITIES

Take attendance and make sure to welcome anyone who is a first-time guest!

What was the highlight of your week?

What is the most valuable thing you own? (Note: The value doesn't necessarily need to be about money – just whatever is most valuable to you.)

When you're finished (if there's time left), pray for our time of worship.

STUFF TO ASK TO UNIQUELY CONNECT THE LESSON TO KIDS' LIVES

STUFF TO DO SO THINGS AREN'T BORING

LARGE-GROUP SCRIPT

THE MESSAGE

Attributes/Scripture (Service Leader)

We are going to do something a little unique today for our message. We wanted to take one week of this series where the entire message was dedicated to different expressions of worship to God. We're actually going to state our THP or (Take Home Point) right away because everything we do for the rest of the message will be about this statement...**God is worthy.**

Students, God is worthy of ALL our praise and all our worship. We are going to spend some time focusing on the different qualities of God that we have discussed during this "God Is" series. The qualities we've looked at are awesome, miraculous, gracious, accessible, and worthy (which is our THP for today). So, here's what we're going to do: at this time, we are going to read the definition of each of those qualities, some Scriptures from the Bible about those qualities, what our THP was for that week, and then a reflection question for us to think about silently.

(Teacher's Note: These Scriptures can be read by leaders and/or students. If you choose students, select them ahead of time and please try to select ones that will honor the seriousness of the moment. I think light instrumental music in the background – whether live or from Spotify – would also help the moment. Finally, be sure to provide some pen and paper or a journal for the reflection time after each reflection question is read.)

Awesome (Leader or Student)

-Definition: to be in awe of something or someone; an overwhelming feeling of reverence, admiration, or fear

-Scripture:

Luke 12:6-7 - "Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."

Colossians 1:15-17 - "The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together."

-THP: God is awesome!

-Question: How can I begin to live my life to show others that God is awesome?

THE MESSAGE

Miraculous (Leader or Student)

-Definition: supernatural power, something that comes from God and not humans

-Scripture:

Mark 6:45-56 – *“Immediately Jesus made his disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. After leaving them, he went up on a mountainside to pray. Later that night, the boat was in the middle of the lake, and he was alone on land. He saw the disciples straining at the oars, because the wind was against them. Shortly before dawn he went out to them, walking on the lake. He was about to pass by them, but when they saw him walking on the lake, they thought he was a ghost. They cried out, because they all saw him and were terrified. Immediately he spoke to them and said, “Take courage! It is I. Don’t be afraid.” Then he climbed into the boat with them, and the wind died down. They were completely amazed, for they had not understood about the loaves; their hearts were hardened. When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret and anchored there. As soon as they got out of the boat, people recognized Jesus. They ran throughout that whole region and carried the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went – into villages, towns or countryside – they placed the sick in the marketplaces. They begged him to let them touch even the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.”*

Matthew 19:26 – *“Jesus looked at them and said, “With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”*

-THP: God is miraculous!

-Question: What kind of miracles would you like to see God do in your life or in the lives of others?

Accessible (Leader or Student)

-Definition: easy to approach, reach, enter, speak with, or use

-Scripture:

Hebrews 4:14-16: *“Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are – yet he did not sin. Let us then approach God’s throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.”*

-THP: God’s is accessible!

-Question: Since God is accessible, what do you need to talk about with God? What or who do you need to pray for?

Gracious (Leader or Student)

-Definition: merciful or compassionate; undeserved love

-Scripture:

Romans 5:1-2 – *“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God.”*

Ephesians 2:8-9 – *“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.”*

-THP: God is gracious!

-Question: How have I experienced God’s grace in my life? How can I show God’s grace to someone else?

THE MESSAGE

Worthy (Leader or Student)

-Definition: commendable excellence; great merit, character, or value

-Scripture:

Psalm 96:1-6 – “Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise His name; proclaim His salvation day after day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before Him; strength and glory are in His sanctuary.”

Psalm 145:1-3 – “I will exalt You, my God and King, and praise Your name forever and ever. I will praise You every day; yes, I will praise You forever. Great is the LORD! He is most worthy of praise! No one can measure His greatness.

-THP: God is worthy!

-Question: Why is God worthy of praise today in your life? How has God shown His goodness and love to you?

Prayer (Service Leader)

Now, we are all going to take some time to pray as a group and individually. I want all of us to pray and ask God to help us know Him better. Focus on one of the qualities about Him that we've talked about and just thank Him for being that. Say words of praise to Him like, "Thank You, God, for being faithful" or "God, I love you and I thank You for Your love for me." After that, think about an area of your life or a situation you are dealing with right now where you are really struggling. Pray right now and tell God that you need His help. Ask Him to help you and give you strength to get through this. God always hears prayer and loves it when we talk to Him! I want everyone, no matter where they're at in the room, to kneel down on the ground and pray about these things together. Kneeling is a posture that shows respect for God while we are worshiping and praying. After a few minutes, I will ask you to stand back up.

Singing (Service Leader)

Every single week here at Northview Students, we spend some time singing together. Praise and worship to God is an outward expression of a change that has happened on the inside. If God has changed our life, our natural response should be to worship and thank Him! This weekly time of singing is an opportunity to give our full attention to God and what He has done in our lives. We do it to remember Jesus and His death on the cross and His resurrection. **WORSHIP IS OUR GIFT BACK TO GOD!** We are going to sing a couple of songs and I want you to sing these songs out and mean them in your heart. In worship, sometimes people lift their hands as a way to worship God...like a child reaching out for their mom or dad to pick them up. If you feel like you need to reach out to God for his help, lift your hands! Sometimes, people just close their eyes and pray while worship is happening. Whatever you decide to do, we want this time of singing to be our worship to God...completely focused on Him without any distractions! Let me pray for us so that we can prepare our hearts. Let's pray...

CLOSING SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

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QUESTIONS

What was the THP today and why was it important during the message?

Based on the service today, what are some reasons why God is worthy of our worship?

What part of the worship service today influenced or helped you the most and why?

We're going to read one of the most famous passages in the Bible about worship. It comes from Romans 12:1-2 in the New Testament. Can I have someone read that for us?

"Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."

This verse talks about offering our bodies as a living sacrifice. Another way to say this could be that worship is a way of life and not simply something we do every once in a while. What do you think it means that worship is a lifestyle?

If you were honest, what is one area of your life where you are not worshiping God? How can this group help you with that?

How will the THP help you to live differently this week? Try to think of a specific example.

How can this group pray for you this week?

FINAL THOUGHTS

Next week is our Pre-Winter Party! Woo hoo! Make sure to wear your plaid, bring a friend, and come ready to have fun...and lots of food!

Encourage those students in your group who made first-time decisions or who made re-commitments to follow Jesus today! Tell them that this group is a support system for them and they don't have to do this life alone. If there is a student who makes a first-time commitment to Christ, have them text NVSNEXT to 85379 or fill out a response card so you can capture their information and our staff can follow up with them. Once your group discussion is over, close your group in prayer!



PREP NEEDS

SMALL-GROUP SUPPLIES

- Some Bibles for students to share during group discussion
- Pen/paper for SOAP study (optional)
- Playlister material

LARGE-GROUP SUPPLIES

- Stupid Video of the Week
- Message script
- Message slides

AUDIO/VISUAL NEEDS

- Pro Presenter or Playlister

