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Attributes of God (Lesson 3)

God is Just

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LESSON OBJECTIVE

As a result of studying about God's just nature, children will go home and regularly confess their sins to God and ask for His forgiveness and for His help in not sinning.

AS KIDS ARRIVE (15 minutes)

Play Head to Head – Ask for two volunteers to recite the books of the bible in order. One starts with Genesis, the other follows with Exodus, back to the first who says Leviticus etc. As more children arrive you can include everyone by creating two teams.

OPENING PRAYER AND PRAISES (5 minutes) Further info? [Click Here](#)

MEMORY WORK (5 minutes)

**“For I am a great king,” says the LORD Almighty, and my name is to be feared among the nations.”
Malachi 1:14**

Have the children say the verse out loud all together.

Safety pin a partial bible verse to the backs of each child. ([Click here for bible verse print out](#))

Ask children to work together to put themselves in order based on the verse that is on their backs.

Check to make sure that they are in the right order.

Take the verses off of their backs before they leave.

Leave the memory verse up on the board.

CLASS EXERCISES (5 minutes)

God's Just Consequences (Activity) [Click Here](#)

SCRIPTURE READING AND DISCUSSION (15 minutes)

Introduction:

Say, “As we can see from the activity we've just completed, 'God's Just Consequences', our actions have consequences. Today we are going to examine two Bible stories where God acted justly and issued consequences for disobedience.”

Write Genesis 19:14 - 26 and Numbers 20:3 – 12 on the white board. This will help children in locating and following along with you as you read the scripture.

Say, “This scripture is about when God was getting ready to destroy the wicked cities of Sodom and Gomorrah and God had sent angels to warn Lot and his family and get them out of the city.” And “When God sends angels down from heaven in this story, they are giving warnings to Lot and his family for God as His representative and God expected them to obey His warnings.”

Read Genesis 19:14-26 (When reading the passage emphasize that the angels told Lot and his family not to look behind them as they left the city. Also emphasize that Lot's wife looked back and she became a pillar of salt)

Ask "Why do you think Lot's wife looked back? Do you think she enjoyed living in such a sinful city?"

Say, "This is an example of when God chose to issue immediate and just consequences for disobedience. Lot's wife was punished immediately when she disobeyed God's warning."

Say, "This next scripture takes place when Moses was leading the Israelites through the desert till God said they could go into the promised land. They were hot, tired and grumpy!

Read Numbers 20:2–12 (Show picture of Moses striking the rock at the appropriate time.) [Click here for picture](#) (When reading the passage emphasize that God told Moses to take the staff and speak to the rock before the people, but Moses raised his arm and struck the rock twice with his staff)

Ask "Why do you think Moses struck the rock? Could it have been a bit of pride on his part?"

Say "This is an example of when God chose to issue delayed and just consequences for disobedience. Moses wandered the desert faithfully with the Israelites and after forty years was not allowed to take them into the promised land."

Today God is still the same just God that He was when Lot's wife and Moses lived here on earth. He still punishes sin and rewards obedience.

Romans 14:10b-12 says "For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. It is written: 'As surely as I live', says the Lord, 'every knee will bow before me; every tongue will confess to God.' So then, each of us will give an account of himself to God."

And **Hebrews 4:13** says something very similar. "Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of Him to whom we must give an account.

Say, "this means that we will receive consequences for the sin and rewards for the good when we stand before God's judgment seat one day."

CLASS EXERCISE (7 minutes)

Making God's Word Personal? (Activity) [Click Here](#)

APPLICATION (2 minutes)

God is a just God and nothing can escape Him. Life may not seem fair, but God is... He rewards obedience and punishes sin.

Ask each child to respond to one of these questions:

1. How would your life be different if God was not just?
2. Why is it good that God is just?

NEXT WEEK

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Ask God to help the children to apply the lesson and to desire to know Him better and to obey Him.