



Grace Church Preschool

Tree House

Relational - Family Lesson I

Divine Attribute: God is Relational

Heart Response: Follow him

Memory Verse: Genesis 1:27 “God created man in his own image.”

Points of Emphasis:

1. God created us to have a relationship with him.
2. God created us to have relationships with others.
3. Sin breaks our relationship with God.
4. Jesus restores our relationship with God.

Family Worship

Gather your family and play the [worship video](#) found on the curriculum resource page! Have fun, sing loud, and follow along with the motions!

Memory Verse

Supplies:

[Memory verse video](#)

Optional printed memory verse poster

Open your Bible to Genesis 1:27. Show your child that this is where we find today’s verse in the Bible. Watch the memory verse video together. If you printed the memory verse poster, display it for your child to see. Practice the verse and motions with the video. Then, practice it as a family. Consider saying it in funny voices or as you stand, hop, or do other fun motions. Maybe even try making it a song!

Bible Lesson

***Note to - the lesson is written to be read like a story. Read the bold words aloud. The words in parenthesis give direction to pause, allow for response, or read Scripture.*

Supplies:

Bible

Hand mirror

(Hold up the hand mirror and move it around so your child can see him/herself in it.) **Look in**

the mirror. Can you see yourself? That is you, just how God made you. You looked at your reflection. You saw what is called an image of you. Today, we are going to learn about how God made people to reflect what he is like. Let’s sit quietly and listen to this story in the Bible.

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, in our likeness.” (Genesis 1:26)

Did you know that God is his own family? God is only ONE God, but he is three people at the same time. He is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

God made us to reflect his love and his family. God is relational. He wants to be our best friend—to talk to him and get to know him. God wants us to love him like he loves us.

Remember when we learned about creation and how God created the first man? His name was Adam. His job was to take care of the whole earth and all of creation. He was created in God’s image to show the whole world, the animals, and even the angels what God is like. One of Adam’s jobs was to name all of the animals.

He named the lions. They didn’t look like him or act like him. He named the ducks. They didn’t look like him or act like him. He named the giraffes. They didn’t look like him or act like him.

None of the animals looked like Adam or could understand him. Adam was different from all of the animals. He was the only one like him. He was created to need relationships. Adam needed a friend to be with him and take care of creation with him.

Adam realized what God already knew. Adam could not fully enjoy taking care of God’s good creation all by himself. Adam could not show the world what God is like without a friend who

was like him. He needed a helper—someone he could share life with.

God said, “It is not good for man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.” Genesis 2:18.

So God did something amazing! He put Adam into a deep sleep. He took one of Adam’s ribs out, and made a new kind of person—a woman. Adam named her Eve.

“So God created man in his own image, male (boys) and female (girls) he created them.” Genesis 1:27.

God created both Adam and Eve to reflect his image. God created Adam and Eve to be a family, and together, Adam and Eve reflected God’s love to all of creation.

Do you know the name of another man who showed the world perfectly what God is like? (Jesus.) That’s right! Jesus did. Do you know who else was created to reflect God’s image? YOU! All of us were made in God’s image to love God and each other and show the world what God is like.

Remember our mirror? It reflected an image of you so you could see what you are like. In the same way, we reflect the image of God and show the world what he is like. God loves. He created us to love. God works. He created us to work. God rested. He created us to rest. God creates. He created us to create.

We were made to have a relationship with him and with each other and to love God and follow him with all of our hearts.

Let’s pray and thank God for loving us and creating us in his likeness and wanting a relationship with us.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for making all of us in your likeness. Help us to reflect who you are to all of your creation. We are amazed at how much you love us. Help us to love you and follow you with all of our hearts every day. Amen.

Coloring Sheet

Supplies:

Coloring sheet (found on [Kids Resource Page](#))

Crayons

Have your child color the picture. They can cut. Have your child color the picture. While your child is coloring, consider asking them the review questions below. These questions can also be saved for conversations over dinner or while driving.

Review Questions

1. Who named all the animals? (Adam.)
2. Who was God’s family (community) even before he created the heavens and the earth? (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.)
3. Who was the first man God created? (Adam.)
4. What did God say about man being alone? (It is not good.)
5. Whose image are we created in? (God’s.)

Optional Additional Activities

Mirror Me

Have your child stand facing you. Tell your child to pretend that you are a mirror. When they see you move, they should move their body the same way. Lift your arms above your head. Your child should move the same way. Try lifting one leg; bending down; touching your nose, ears, and eyes; jumping and hopping in place; etc. Get your whole family involved and let everyone take a turn being the leader! Then, talk about the ways that we can “mirror” God’s kindness, love, and forgiveness.

