

What is God like? God is Holy, Good, and Loving.

Week 19: September 5, 2025

**Bible Story Point:** God sent prophets to tell people to repent of their sin.

Key Passage: The Lord is good to all; He has compassion on all He has made. (Psalm 145:9)

Sunday Night: (Preschool & Children)

Prophets of Judah (Micah; Nahum; Habakkuk; Zephaniah)

While the Northern Kingdom of Israel had been destroyed by Assyria, the Southern Kingdom of Judah remained. During the years prior to Babylonian captivity, God continued to send prophets to Judah who called the people to repent of their sin. Even though the prophets pronounced the impending captivity, they also offered hope to the people: God would restore His people and provide salvation.

The prophet Micah spoke to the leaders of Israel regarding their ill-earned wealth. Micah called the leaders of Israel to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God. Micah also shared a message of future hope: one day, God would send a new King who would be born in Bethlehem and rule over the restored people of God.

Nahum was another prophet sent to testify to God's judgment on sin. Nahum described how God would judge Assyria for its bloodshed, evil, and injustice. Nahum's message was a reminder to be faithful to God and a warning to not act like other evil nations, like Assyria.

Zephaniah begged the people to turn away from sin while there was still time. He showed that God will judge all the evil nations along with Judah.

Habakkuk spoke directly to God, asking Him why He would not stop the violence and sin of the people of Judah. God told Habakkuk that He will indeed judge the people and will bring destruction to the nation through Babylon. While Babylon would destroy Judah, Habakkuk also said he would celebrate in the Lord. Even in desolation and despair, God's people could rejoice in the hope of salvation.

God sent prophets to share the message of judgment, repentance, and restoration. Jesus willingly took on our judgment so we could turn from our sin and be restored to Him. When we trust in Jesus we are restored to a right relationship with God.

This week, encourage your children to see God's goodness through His Word. Like the prophets to Judah proclaimed a message of hope, the Word of God shares good news: Jesus died and rose again to save people from sin and death. Rejoice in the God of salvation.

- What did Micah preach? God would judge wicked leaders
- What did Nahum preach? God is All-powerful and slow to anger but will judge the wicked.
- What did Zephaniah tell the people? Turn back to God while there is still time
- What did Habakkuk tell the people? Turn back to God or Babylon will come and take them captive.
- How is Jesus different from the prophets? He is God's Son, came to save people from sin.
- How do the prophets words encourage you to live a life pleasing to God?
- How can your family be a light in your community?

**Practice:** Say (Memorize) Key passage

Pray: Thank God for giving you the Gospel. Ask God to help share His Gospel in your community!

#### Wednesday, October 8th- Awana Clubs 6-7:30PM

**Cubbies:** Bear Hug 5— Genesis 1:31, "...God saw everything that He had made, and behold, it was very good."

# Sparks:

## **Hang Gliders**

**K is for Keep**—James 2:10, For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

## **Wing Runner**

Romans 6:23, For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### **Sky Stormer**

Say all of the Old Testament – Genesis through Malachi

#### T & T: 1.5 God is Three in One

2 Corinthians 13:14, The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

# Saturday Night: (Preschool & Children)

Take a few minutes to debrief last Sunday's lesson.

Preview for Sunday, October 12th

# God Promised a New Covenant (Jeremiah 17 & 31)

- Who is Jeremiah? An old Testament Prophet
- Who should we not put our trust in? people, who are sinful and imperfect.
- Who should we trust? God, He is trustworthy and strong
- What will God provide even though we have sinned? A New Covenant

# **Upcoming Activities:**

October 7	Good News Club 4th week of 6 weeks	2:45—4:15PM
Oct 8	Wednesday Night Meals	5:00PM
	Wednesday Night Awana Clubs	6:00 – 7:30PM
Candy Needed	Candy Donation Bins Out & Volunteer Sheets	
Oct 11	Church Work Day	8:00AM—1:00PM
Oct 12	Parent / Baby Dedication	
Oct 12-31	Great Pumpkin Patch	
Oct 18	Beast Feast (Men's Ministry)	3:00—7:00PM
Oct 20	Fiesta & Faith (Women's Ministry)	6:00PM
Oct 31	Trunk N Treat	6:00—8:00PM





