

PARENT GUIDE

GOD IS HOLY

BIG IDEA
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FOCUS VERSE

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WEEK 1: Solomon Becomes King (1 Kings 2:12; 3:3-9)

WEEK 2: King Solomon Builds the Temple (1 Kings 8:1-61)

WEEK 3: King Josiah Follows God (2 Chronicles 34:1-33; 2 Kings 23:25)

WEEK 4: Daniel Faces the Lions' Den (Daniel 6)

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*Holiness...*We all bring unique experiences and knowledge that affect how we think and feel about holiness. Yet, "holy" is one of the Bible's primary descriptors for God. So, we need to understand how Scripture defines it. That's precisely what we'll do this month. Please join us at home as we journey through the stories of Solomon, Josiah, and Daniel, seeking to understand what it means that **God is holy**.

AT-HOME ACTIVITIES:

- Many of God's attributes utilize words kids are familiar with, such as "good" or "true." Holiness, however, may be a new concept. So, discuss what it means that God is holy. Ask your child to tell you what comes to mind when they hear the word "holy." Consider how God's holiness is different from ours. (God's holiness makes Him separate from everything He has made. It also means He is sinless and perfect.)
- God is not like us. He is separate and distinct. He is holy. Use the example of the holidays (perfect if you're reading this around Thanksgiving) to help your child understand. Explain that we often receive breaks from work and school during the holidays because they are special or sacred. God's holiness sets Him apart from everything else in creation. He is the most special and sacred One of all.
- The Holy Spirit makes us more like Jesus as we spend time with Him in prayer, Bible study, worship, etc. Explain this with silly putty and a newspaper. Flatten and press the putty onto the paper revealing its imprint. Explain that something similar happens as we spend time with Jesus. We "pick up" Christ's holiness. While there will be "smudges," we have hope that God is forming us into the holy image of His Son.

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