

I Want to Know You...The Attributes of God  
#24--God is Righteous

**HOOK:** Do you *always* do what your mom or dad tell you to do? Have you *ever* been mean or impatient with someone? Now, raise your hand if you've ever lied! I think we can all admit that we don't always do the right thing 100% of the time.

**BOOK:** The Bible says: "...there is no one on earth who is righteous, no one who does what is right and never sins." **Eccles. 7:20** You and I do *some* things that are good and right, but *not everything* we do is good and right. Only the Lord is RIGHTEOUS all of the time--He never sins! The Lord teaches us through His Word what is right and what is wrong. We sin when we choose to do what is wrong. But, even though we can never be perfect on earth, we have a Friend who is perfect--God's Son, Jesus. Because of Jesus can we have a relationship with God. The Bible says: **My dear children, I'm writing this to you so that you will not sin. But suppose someone does sin. Then we have a friend who speaks to the Father for us. He is Jesus Christ, the Blameless [or righteous] One. (1 John 2:1 NIRV)** Because of Jesus, God forgives us when we sin, but, of course, He doesn't want us to sin!

**LOOK:** You know who does want us to sin? Satan. He tries to tempt us to do wrong. But when we say "no" to Satan and "yes" to the Lord, this is what happens: We please God, experience joy, and bless others.

**TOOK:** Keeping God's commandments (His rules for living) are part of living a righteous life. Here are God's Ten Commandments:

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| 1. Put God first               | 6. Don't kill/hurt others      |
| 2. Worship only God            | 7. Be faithful in marriage     |
| 3. Use God's name with respect | 8. Don't steal                 |
| 4. Remember God's Sabbath      | 9. Don't lie                   |
| 5. Respect your parents        | 10. Don't be envious of others |

***(Read this simple list of the Ten Commandments with your kids once or twice during your time together. Give them the Ten Commandments bookmark to take home as a tool to help to continue to learn the commandments at home.)***

**Bible Verse:** "...we have a friend who speaks to the Father for us. He is Jesus Christ, the Blameless [or righteous] One." (1 John 2:1 NIRV)

**Prayer:** "Father God, thank You for Jesus, the Righteous One. Even though we are not perfect, You see us as righteous because of Your perfect Son. Help us to say "yes" to Your commandments and live a life pleasing to You. Amen."

## The Attributes of God: RIGHTEOUS



what we  
learned

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memory  
verse

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parent/child  
activity

Keeping God's commandments (His rules for living) are part of living a righteous life. Using the bookmark given to your child today, memorize the 10 Commandments together! (There are some helpful videos online that will give you ideas of hand motions to use to help you memorize them easier. Have fun!)



daily prayer

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