

I Want to Know You...The Attributes of God
#25--God is Just Judge

HOOK: Sometimes your parents have to take on the role of being judges, deciding whether or not you deserve punishment for something you did wrong. They have to decide if they think you are telling the truth. Did you do something wrong on purpose? Or was it an accident? If they feel that you did something on purpose, but it really was an accident, you may feel like saying, "Hey, that's not fair!"

BOOK: The Bible tells us that God is also a judge, but not like your parents or even a judge in a courtroom. Our Attribute of God today is JUST JUDGE, which means God always judges fairly. The Bible says: "**For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.**" (2 Corinthians 5:10). That means God sees us here on earth. He knows our thoughts and He sees the good we do for Him and the love we show Him. As His kids we will receive a crown of righteousness, which our Just Judge will give us as a reward when He returns one day! But, He also sees and judges the things we do that are not pleasing to Him. He loves us no matter what, but He judges both the good and the bad in our lives.

LOOK: Most human judges do the best they can to be fair, but they aren't perfect. They can't know everything--only God can. He knows the truth about everything we do and everything we think. He doesn't make mistakes. One day, the Lord will judge everyone who has ever lived on earth. When He does, no one will be able to say, "Hey, that's not fair!" because He is just.

TOOK: Think for a moment about how you treat your family members. Do you say nice things? Do you obey your parents? Do you help out around the house? Do you have a good attitude? Those are examples of what God will judge in our lives. In all that we do and say, remember: God loves us and forgives us and He also rewards us.

Bible Verse: "**For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.**" 2 Corinthians 5:10

Prayer: "Lord, we praise You that You are a Just Judge. Help us to be mindful of the things we say, think and do. Thank You for Your great love for us, even in Your judgements. Amen."

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parent/child
activity

With your child, make an award certificate out of paper (or use the one made in class today) and then be on the lookout for a family member doing something good. When you “catch” him/her sharing with others, being helpful, or having a good attitude in a difficult situation, present them with a “good job” award. Remember that God, our Just Judge, will fairly judge all that we do--the good and the bad. Our good thoughts and actions will be rewarded! The bad ones will be also be judged...and ultimately forgiven.



daily prayer

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