

GOD: THE ONE WHO KNOWS MY HEART *series overview*

Unit Summary

This series goes through the life of David, a man after God's own heart. The six lessons in the series lead children to have a heart for God. Throughout this series children will discover being bold for God, trusting in who God is, and having a heart of kindness.



Unit Memory Verses

⁹"How can a young man keep his way pure? By guarding it according to your word. ¹⁰With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! ¹¹I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you." (ESV)

⁹"Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to thy Word. ¹⁰With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments! ¹¹Thy Word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee! (KJV)

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Lesson 1

The Heart That Follows God

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:9



Lesson 1 focuses on teaching children to remember who God is and to follow Him, even when tempted to follow others. God is the King of their hearts and they can follow Him in all things. (1 Samuel 8:1-22; 9:1-27; 10:1, 17-27; 13:5-15)

Lesson 2

A Heart After God

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:10

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God sends Samuel to Bethlehem to choose a new king. After all the impressive brothers pass by, the youngest son, David—just a humble shepherd boy—is brought in, and God chooses him because his heart is faithful and willing. Samuel anoints David with oil, and God's Spirit comes upon him, showing that God values a heart that loves and follows Him more than anything on the outside. (1 Samuel 16:1-13)



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Lesson 3

The Heart Bold for God's Glory

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:10



David boldly stepped forward because he trusted God's power, not his own strength. He picked up five stones, faced the giant with courage, and defeated him with just his sling. David showed that a heart focused on God's glory can do brave things, no matter how small or ordinary someone seems. (1 Samuel 16:13-23; 17:1-52)

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Lesson 4 *The Heart that Trusts God's Plan*

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:11

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David trusted God's plan even when life was confusing—whether he was gaining a new friend in Jonathan, being chased by King Saul, or choosing to show kindness instead of getting revenge. When Saul died and David grieved, he still looked to God for direction and waited patiently for God to show him the right time to become king. Because David trusted God's plan at every step, God faithfully led him to the place He had prepared for him. (1 Samuel 18:1-9; 24:1-22; 31:6; 2 Samuel 1:11-12; 2:1-4)

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Lesson 5 *God's Heart of Kindness*

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:9-11

David remembered his promise to Jonathan and wanted to show kindness to anyone left in his family, just as God had shown kindness to him. When he learned about Mephibosheth, who couldn't walk and had no power or status, David welcomed him, gave back his family's land, and invited him to eat at the king's table like a son. David's actions show that God's heart is full of kindness, especially toward those who feel forgotten or unimportant. (2 Samuel 4:4; 9:1-13)



Lesson 6

Remote Control Review Party

Memory Verse: Psalm 119:9-11

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God promised David that even though he wouldn't build the temple and even though he made mistakes, God would still keep His bigger plan—a forever King would come from David's family. That promise pointed to Jesus, the true King whose kingdom will never end and who brings forgiveness and hope. One day, Jesus will return to make everything new, showing that God always keeps His promises and His plan is greater than anything we could imagine.



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