

HILLSIDE STUDENTS

GOD IS GOOD

LEADER TOOLS

REMINDERS: Take *ATTENDANCE!* Use the app & let us know who to add/remove!

GAME: 🐔🏃 *PLAY Chicken Run!* Pair up the students. One person in each pair is the farmer, and the other is the chicken. The farmer must guide their chicken from one side of the room to the other, but there's a catch—the chicken must keep their eyes closed the entire time. The farmer cannot touch them and can only make chicken noises (clucking, squawking, flapping sounds) to guide them. The chicken must listen carefully and try to navigate to the finish line using only these sounds. The first pair to cross the finish line wins! To make it even funnier, add obstacles (like chairs or people standing still) that the chickens must avoid.

TOPIC OVERVIEW: We've all heard the phrase, "God is good." But what does that actually even mean? We don't have to guess if God is good, or take someone's word for it- In Genesis, we find that God isn't just good the way we see good... God defines goodness itself. We have sin in our lives... this is, by definition, NOT good. But even though we sin, God doesn't desire that his goodness stay hidden from us. Instead, He invites us to "taste and see" His goodness everywhere in our lives!

DISCUSSION

ICE-BREAKERS:

- What's been your favorite part of this school year?
- Would you rather: have to go everywhere by riding an elephant or a unicycle?

MESSAGE DEBRIEF & BIBLE STUDY:

- What's something you think is very good? What's something you think is bad?
- **Read Mark 10:18.** How would you explain God's goodness to someone?
- Why is it important that God's goodness never changes?
- **Read Psalm 34:8.** Why does this verse tell us to "taste and see" God's goodness?
- What are some ways you have experienced God's goodness?
- What are some things you could start doing to experience God's goodness?
- **Read John 10:11.**
- What does it mean that Jesus is our "good Shepherd"?
- How does Jesus' sacrifice on the cross show us that he is good?
- **Read Psalm 118:1.** Why is it important to give thanks to God?
- **Challenge |** Take time each day to give thanks to God in prayer.
 - How can you keep your group accountable to give thanks each day?
 - Take a few minutes to practice praying this with your group!

READING PLAN

Join us as we read the New Testament in 6 months!

