

HILLSIDE STUDENTS

GOD IS GOOD | With a Good Purpose

LEADER TOOLS

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

GAME: 🎮👉 *PLAY 3-6-9-Clap!* Have your group form a circle. The person who starts the game will say “one”, and your group will continue around the circle counting. However, if your number has a 3, 6, or a 9 anywhere in it (ex: 3,16, 34, 29) you will clap instead of saying the number. If you say the number instead of clapping, you’re out! The group then starts back at one and continues until one player is left.

TOPIC OVERVIEW: This series is all about God’s goodness, and we know as Christians we’re supposed to imitate God’s goodness. But one of the questions that comes up in our lives as we make decisions we regret is: how do we actually imitate God’s goodness? Our flesh naturally does what is opposite of God, so what does it look like for us to live FOR Him? The simple answer – Jesus transforms us to be like Him. As we spend time with Him in prayer and in reading scripture, we find ourselves transformed over time to love God’s goodness and to imitate Him!

DISCUSSION

ICE-BREAKERS:

- What is your favorite fruit? What is your least favorite fruit?
- What is your favorite summer memory?

MESSAGE DEBRIEF & BIBLE STUDY:

- **Read Romans 8:1-2.** What does Paul mean when he says there is “no condemnation”?
- What does that mean for us as we follow Jesus?
- **Read Romans 12:1-2.** What does it look like to be “conformed to the pattern of this world”? Why does Paul tell us not to be like that?
- What does it mean for our mind to be “renewed”? If that’s our goal, how do we do it?
- **Read John 15:5-8.** Bearing fruit is something trees do - so what does Jesus mean for us when he says we will “bear much fruit”?
- A tree can bear good fruit, it can also bear some rotten fruit - what kind of fruit are you bearing right now?
- **Pray.** Leaders pray for your group, that this week they would be encouraged and have opportunities to be with Jesus so they could “bear good fruit”!
- **Practice.** What is ONE thing you could do as an action step this week? (Leaders write these down and check back in with your students to encourage them!)

READING PLAN

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

