

Day 1: No One Is Righteous.

Read Romans 3:10-20, and ask your children:

1. How many people are righteous?
2. What are their actions like?
3. What is their attitude toward God?
4. Is there anything we can do to reverse the situation?

Most people like to think that they are good, or even say they are a good person. This is because we usually just compare ourselves to other people. But when we compare ourselves to the holiness of God, the Bible says we are not good. And no action, since our hearts are not focused on God, can reverse the situation.

Day 2: God gave us the Law to point us to Jesus.

Read Galatians 3:19-24, and ask your children:

1. Why did God write the Law?
2. Can the Law give us eternal life?
3. Can anyone say they are not a sinner after reading the Bible?
4. Who should the Law make us look to?

Paul explains that God wrote the Law in response to our sin. It points out our sin to us and shows us God's requirement of holiness. Anyone who reads the Law should find himself speechless before God. Obeying the Law cannot give us eternal life. Instead, it should point us to our need for Jesus. The point of the Law was to show us we need Jesus!

Day 3: Christ can give us righteousness.

Read 2 Corinthians 5:18-21, and ask your children:

1. Who did God use to make peace between Him and us?
2. What happens to our trespasses?
3. Why should we tell others about Jesus?
4. Where does our righteousness come from?

When Jesus died on the cross, God not only took our trespasses and placed them upon Jesus, He also placed Jesus' righteousness upon us. Because of this gift, we are no longer enemies of God, but have been reconciled (made right) with Him. He loves righteousness, and when He sees the righteousness of Jesus upon us, He loves what He sees!

Day 4: We are to call other people to repent.

Read Romans 4:1-5 and ask your children:

1. Was Abraham saved by his actions?
2. Can Abraham brag about his works?
3. Do we earn our righteousness or is it a gift?
4. How do we receive this gift?

God does not pay us with Jesus' righteousness because of our actions. It's not payment like you receive for a job, it is a gift from God, which we do not deserve. This means that we cannot brag about the righteousness we have, for it is Jesus' righteousness and it was given to us as an undeserved gift. When we believe that Jesus alone is truly righteous and that His work is our only way to be forgiven, then God blesses us with Jesus' righteous actions.