



# Prep

Plan on spending 10 minutes without your kids to familiarize yourself with this session.

Begin with prayer, asking God for His wisdom and guidance.  
Read through the session to:

- Be sure to understand the Big Idea and the Key Verse
- Preview the video
- Select the best questions in the **TALK** section and activities in the **DO** section for your family

## Understanding the Character of God

*Background information from the Bible about God's character.*

1. God's justice means that people are going to get what they deserve based on God's clear and full understanding of what they did and why they did it.  
*"Your eyes are open to the ways of all mankind; you reward each person according to their conduct and as their deeds deserve." (Jeremiah 32:19 NIV; See also Colossians 3:25)*
2. God's justice is impartial and fair. He cannot be bribed, tricked or coerced into passing biased judgments.  
*"For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality and accepts no bribes." (Deuteronomy 10:17 NIV)*
3. We do not always understand God's justice. While life is not always fair, we know that He does not treat people unfairly.  
*"The Almighty is beyond our reach and exalted in power; in his justice and great righteousness, he does not oppress." (Job 37:23 NIV)*
4. God's heart is for everyone to receive mercy and enter His family through faith in Jesus. Therefore, God may delay His justice.  
*"The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." (2 Peter 3:9 NIV)*



## Big Idea:

LIFE'S NOT ALWAYS FAIR.  
GOD IS.

God's justice gives evil what it deserves. Every wrong will be made right. Justice is not a standard God follows. He IS the standard. Truth is, bad things happen to people who don't deserve it. We can trust God because He will set all things right, and His justice will be satisfied.



## Key Verse:

PSALM 50:6 (NLT)

Then let the heavens  
proclaim His justice, for God  
himself will be the judge.

## Watch

*Set up the video for your family:*

"We're going to watch a video that tells a story to teach us something about God. Let's pay attention and see if we can discover what the story says about God."



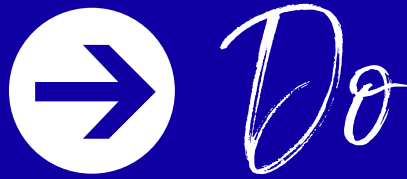
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*Choose a few questions to best help your family talk about the video.*

- What did you like most about the video?
- What was the point of the video? What did it teach about God?
- Can you relate to Ellie, the girl who was bullied? Have you ever had something happen to you that was totally unfair? What happened? Did it ever get resolved?
- Read the Big Idea and Key Verse.
- In your opinion, what does it mean that God is just?
- When you are treated unfairly, how do you feel? What is your natural impulse?
- Do you feel like you've treated anyone unfairly in the last week? If so, what happened? Is there anything you can do to make it right?
- In the video, the narrator says, "God sees you. He watches over you. He knows your good days and your bad days. You are never forgotten, never left alone. And He promises in the end He will make all things right." How does this make you feel? What could it look like for you to trust God's justice?



*Ideas to help your family understand God's character for the rest of the week.*

- Go to **RealGodChurch.com/view** and select the Family Devotional to **LOG IN**. Download the TAKEAWAY page for this Session. Put up a few around your house (refrigerator, bathroom mirror, etc.). Encourage your kids to read the verse every morning and every night. One option is to memorize the verse as a family.

**JUSTICE**  
Life's not always fair. God is.

*"Then let the heavens proclaim his justice,  
for God himself will be the judge."  
(Psalm 50:6 NLT)*

- Morning questions for breakfast or on the ride to school:
  - If you get treated unfairly today, how will you try to respond?
  - If you see someone else being treated unfairly, what can you do to help?
  - Describe a situation that might happen today where you will be tempted to treat someone unfairly.
- Questions for the evening in the car on the way home from school or dinner time:
  - Did you see anyone get treated unfairly today? What happened? How did you help?
  - How do you think God's justice is different than human justice?