



EPHESIANS | FAMILY | WEEK 1 OF 4

His Kids

The Family series focuses on how we're brought into relationship with God through the persons of the Trinity—from God's desire to adopt us into his family to Jesus' rescue to the work of the Holy Spirit.

BIG IDEA

God loves us so much he wants us to be his children.

KEY VERSES

For you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes.

Galatians 3:26–27 (NLT)

1 | Hangout

SUPPLIES

- None

LEADER TIP

- For some students, talking about their relationship with their parents could be a sensitive topic. Be conscious of this and emphasize that God the Father is an incredibly good dad!

INSTRUCTIONS

- a. Discuss:
 - If you had to choose a celebrity to be your parent, who would you choose? Why?
 - Some of us have a good relationship with our dad, some of us have a tough one, and some of us don't have a dad in our lives at all. When you hear that God is your Father, what comes to mind for you?



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2 | Hear

SUPPLIES

- Bibles

INSTRUCTIONS

- Make sure everyone has a Bible. Share them if needed.
- Look up and read Ephesians 1:1–6.
- Discuss:
 - Which thoughts or ideas came to mind when you read these verses? Did anything stand out to you?
 - **God loves us so much he wants us to be his children!** What does that tell you about God? How does it make you feel?
 - God wants to adopt you—he wants you to be in his family! You may have already chosen to follow Jesus and join God’s family. Or maybe you’re still checking it out. Where are you at? What questions do you have for God the Father?
 - Did this passage bring up any other questions?
- Look up and read Galatians 3:23–28.
- Discuss:
 - What does this passage tell us about being part of God’s family?
 - What came to mind or stood out to you when you read these verses?

3 | Huddle

SUPPLIES

- None

INSTRUCTIONS

- Point out that we all have responsibilities in our own families and many ways we interact with them.
- Discuss:
 - Who are you in God’s family? Which role do you play?
 - How do you interact with members of God’s family?
- Pray about what the students shared and discussed with the group.
- Bonus! Challenge everyone to read the story of the Lost Son (Luke 15:11–32) this week. Encourage the students to keep in mind that this story reveals God’s heart for us. No matter what we’ve done, he wants to run and embrace us as his children!