

ELEMENTARY DISCUSSION GUIDE

CHARACTER TRAIT: THANKFULNESS

DEFINITION:

A grateful heart that comes from trusting God

MEMORY VERSE:

"Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you who belong to Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NLT

FINISH LINE:

We can be thankful for who God is

READ: EXODUS 3:1-15

WHAT DOES IT SAY? (OBSERVATION)

1. What did Moses see that was so unusual? (*A burning bush*)
2. What did God say to him? (*God told Moses to take off his shoes because he was in a holy place.*)
3. See verse 10. What amazing thing does God want Moses to do? (*God told Moses the He was going to send him to Pharaoh to lead the Israelites out of Egypt.*)
4. Look at verse 11. What was Moses worried about? (*He didn't think he was good enough to do what God was asking.*)
5. Reread verse 12. What amazing promises did God make to Moses? (*God promised He would always be with him. He also promised that Moses and the Israelites would come back to this very mountain and give thanks to God.*)

WHAT DOES IT MEAN? (INTERPRETATION)

1. Let's take a look at what we learn about God from this story and why we can be thankful for who He is. Pull up today's activity guide to answer some questions about who God is from today's lesson.

Read the bold truth about God and see if you can figure out where we can learn this in the story.

WHY DOES IT MATTER? (APPLICATION)

1. What did you learn about God that you didn't know before?
2. What are you most thankful for about God? Why?