

# ELEMENTARY DISCUSSION GUIDE

## CHARACTER TRAIT:

**PURITY**

## DEFINITION:

Being clean and free from the power of sin

## MEMORY VERSE:

"Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me." Psalm 51:10 NLT

## FINISH LINE:

God is pure and He created all things pure

## READ: GENESIS 1:1-2:3

### WHAT DOES IT SAY? (OBSERVATION)

1. Go through the verses and make a list of what God created on each day.
2. Look at verses 4, 12, 18, 21, and 25. What did God say about what He created? ("It was good.")
3. What made God's creation good? (It was good because God, who created it, is good, perfect, holy, and pure.)
4. Reread verse 31. What was different about how God thought about His creation now? (After He created people, He said it was VERY GOOD.)

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN? (INTERPRETATION)

1. What do you think the world was like when God first created it?
2. What do you think Adam and Eve's relationship with God was like? What do you think it was like to walk in the perfect garden with God?
3. When we look at ourselves and creation now, is it still pure and perfect like God created it? (No. Next week we will talk about what happened to make it like it is today.)
4. Is God still pure and perfect even if His creation is not anymore? (Absolutely. God stays the same and never ever changes. He never makes mistakes. He is always clean and pure even if something happened to make what He created impure.)

### WHY DOES IT MATTER? (APPLICATION)

1. What is your favorite thing that God created? Why?
2. What do you think we can we learn about God by looking at what He created and how He created it? (EXAMPLES: Everything in nature points to God's character. We can see the power of God in waterfalls and thunderstorms and His beauty in sunsets. The stars in the sky reflect His greatness while spring rains and cool breezes show how God refreshes and renews us. Insects and flowers show us that God cares about the small details, too!)