

Week 3: We are Sinners

Prop: clean small wipe board/black marker/eraser.

What did we talk about last week? (Wait for responses). We learned that God is our Creator and that we are His greatest creation. Since we are made in God's image (Genesis 1:26), we are more like God than anything else He has ever created. This allows us to be able to get to know God, and to have fellowship with God, and to serve Him with our lives.

God created us to be able to make choices. God always would like for us to choose to do good things and obey Him. But we don't always do that, do we (1 Peter 2:25)?

What are some of the bad choices you have made? (*Write these items on the wipe board*) Examples could include, not obeying parents/teachers, fighting with brother/sister, not sharing, etc.

You see how all these bad choices fill up the once clean wipe board? Do you know what God calls these "bad choices"? God calls them sins. That shows us we all have a sin problem (Romans 3:10).

When we sin it makes God unhappy. The bible tells us in Romans 3:23 that we are all sinners. This means we all choose to disobey what God would like for us to do.

You see God is holy and pure (He has never once sinned) (Leviticus 19:2). God does not like sin at all, and can never be in the presence of sin. The bible even tells us in Romans 6:23 that our sin deserves the punishment of death. This means spiritual death, and eternal separation from God. This means that we would not be able to spend eternity with God in heaven.

However, remember God loves us, and His greatest desire is for us to live forever with Him in His heaven (Romans 5:8). Since we are sinners, and since God cannot allow sin into His heaven, we therefore need help. The great thing is that God did send us someone who can help us and allow us to get to heaven one day. God sent us His only Son, Jesus Christ who is able to wipe (at this point erase all the sins that are listed on your wipe board) all of our sins away like they never happened at all! Next week we will talk about Jesus Christ.

Let's pray to thank God for sending us Jesus.