Teacher's Edition - Lesson 1:1

1. God is Good.

- Everything **About** God is good.
 - 1 John 1:5 "God is light, and in Him there is no darkness at all."

Teacher's Note:

- He doesn't have a mean streak
- He doesn't have a hidden bad side
- He doesn't have any character flaws
 - God is <u>Always</u> good.
 - Psalm 119:68 "You are good, and what you do is good."
 - ▶ Hebrews 13:8 "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever."

Teacher's Note:

- He's always working towards our good.
 - Everything God <u>Does</u> is good.
 - Genesis 1:31 "God saw all that He had made (the earth & man), and it was very good."

Teacher's Note:

- When bad things happen, people tend to blame God. We must remember that it's the *devil* who does bad things, not God!
- Additionally, when God made you, He made you good. God doesn't make junk.
- Romans 8:28 "...we know that in all things, God works for the good of those who love Him."



2. God is in a Good Mood.

- The Father is happy.
 - ▶ Psalm 2:4 "The One enthroned in heaven laughs..."
- Jesus is happy.
 - Luke 10:21 "Jesus was full of joy through the Holy Spirit."
- The Holy Spirit is happy.
 - Psalm 16:11 "In His presence is fullness of joy and pleasures forever more."
 - ▶ The Holy Spirit is representative of God's presence, so when we say, "In His presence," we're saying, "In the Holy Spirit is fullness of joy."

Teacher's Note:

- God is always in a good mood. He never gets in a bad mood.
- Even when He disciplines us, He's never in a bad mood.
- His good mood is never affected by our or any other circumstance.

3. God is in a Good Mood towards Us.

- God demonstrates His goodness in <u>Specific Ways</u>.
 - Zephaniah 3:17 NKJV "He rejoices over you with singing."
 - ▶ John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son..."

Teacher's Note

- He's still in a good mood toward us, no matter what we do or don't do. Romans 5:8 "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."
- He's still in a good mood toward the world. He sees the unbeliever as His lost treasure. They are precious and made in His image.



The good news <u>Demonstrates</u> God's good mood.

Teacher's Note:

- There are many ways God demonstrates His good mood: forgiveness, blessing, healing, etc.
 - Healing and the prophetic demonstrate His passion towards us.
 - Matthew 4:23 "Jesus preached the good news of the Kingdom, and healed every disease and sickness among the people."
 - Acts 8:7-8 "Many paralytics and cripples were healed. So there was great joy in that city."

4. God wants us to Experience His Good Mood.

- Psalm 34:8 "Taste and see that the Lord is good." (always)
- Psalm 126:1-3 "The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy."

Teacher's Note:

- Read all of Psalm 126:1-3 to the class.
- This is an invitation to continually taste and see. The more we do that, the more we find out just how good He is.
- When you taste something good, it is normal to want more.

5. God wants to **Release** His Good Mood Through Us.

- Matthew 10:7-8 "Preach this message: The Kingdom of Heaven is near. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, and drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give."
- God wants us to have an encounter, so that we become an encounter, so that others can have encounter.

Teacher's Note:

Romans 2:4

"It's His kindness



that leads to repentance."

TABLE TOPICS: CORE GROUP DISCUSSION

• How has your view of God changed based upon what you have learned today?

• How can you reveal God's mood to the people around you?

• How does experiencing God's good mood change your view of yourself and your view of the world?



ACTIVATION ACTIVITY

• Recount some of the ways that God has been good to you (write down at least 10 instances).

• Release God's good mood to 5 people around you in the next week (prophetic word/healing/smile, etc.). What was their reaction? How did you feel afterwards?





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