

## SUMMER 2025

Unit 3, Session 2

### CONNECTION POINT:

A godly life points others to Christ.

### THE BIBLE MEETS

**LIFE:** If we were to survey the average American about good character, it is possible they would note the character traits we will be looking at in sessions 3-6 of this study. But would godliness appear on their lists? For the follower of Christ, godliness comes first, for it is through godliness that the other character traits come. Traits like generosity and humility are possible for all people, but when we live in Christ, we display these traits in a far greater way.

**LIVE IT OUT:** Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to live out his or her faith.

## PRESCHOOL

**Scripture:** Matthew 5:1-2; 6:25-34

**Live It Out:** Write each word of *God knows what you need. Matthew 6:32* onto individual index cards. Color edges of cards to match. Help put the verse in order. Say the verse together.

Many people wanted to hear Jesus tell about God. Jesus went up a mountainside and sat down. His disciples came sat near Him. He began to teach the people.

“Do not worry about what you will eat or drink,” Jesus said. “Look at the birds that fly in the air. God feeds the birds. He takes care of them. God will take care of you, too.”

“And do not worry about what you will wear,” Jesus said. “Look at the wildflowers. God makes the beautiful flowers grow. They do not work or make clothes. They have what they need. You are much more important to God than flowers.” Then Jesus said, “God loves you more than the birds and flowers. So do not worry about food to eat or clothes to wear. God knows what you need.”

The Bible tells that God promises to provide what we need. God will take care of you.

## KIDS

**Scripture:** Matthew 18:21-25

**Live It Out:** Help your child find verses about forgiveness. Discuss each verse. Help your child remember that we should forgive others because God first forgave us.

Peter approached Jesus and asked, “How often should I forgive someone? As many as seven times?” Jesus answered, “Not seven times, but seventy times seven!”

Jesus told a parable: A king wanted everyone who owed him money to pay what they owed him. One servant owed him much money he could not pay back. The king wanted sell the servant, his family, and everything he owned to pay the debt. The servant fell to his knees and begged for forgiveness. The king felt sorry for him and forgave him.

The same servant found a man who owed him a little money. The first servant would not forgive the man who owed him money.

The king heard ordered the first servant into jail until he could pay everything he owed. Jesus explained that everyone should forgive others, just as God forgives.

## STUDENTS

**Scripture:** 1 Timothy 4:6-16

- Why is it necessary that we train ourselves in godliness?
- In your own words, what is hope?
- How is your life an example of godly living that points others to Jesus?

**Live It Out:** Jesus lived a perfectly righteous life, and though it’s impossible for us to live up to this standard, we’re nonetheless called to strive to be like Jesus. When we do, the Spirit strengthens us to obey, and He uses our godly lives to point others to Jesus.

As Jesus’s followers, we’re called to be examples not only to those in the church but also to non-believing friends and neighbors. Discuss ways your family can be an example to your friends and neighbors. Ask family members how their godliness is on display in a way that draws the lost to Jesus.