

How Great Is Our God

WHY GOD IS BETTER



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FOLLOWING **SUNDAY 21 FEB**



1. **GOD IS GREAT** BECAUSE HE BRINGS ORDER TO CHAOS

When are the times you most feel like your life, or the whole world, is utter chaos? Write down a couple of things, then discuss:

1. What do you do when you feel like that? What do others around you say or do when things are out of control/chaotic?

The story of Bible is one that paints a picture of a God who rules over and brings order to chaos - both in creation itself, and in the hearts of humanity.

Read Genesis 1:1-5

2. Describe in your own words the scene here - the way God goes to work in the creation story. (Notice the shift in action after the first 2 verses).

Read Matthew 8:23-27; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Ephesians 4:17-24

3. In Matthew 8, how does Jesus show his power over the chaos of creation? How is this scene similar to what God does in Genesis 1?

4. In what ways does Jesus bring "order to chaos" in peoples lives? Discuss the change that happens for those who belong to Jesus.

5. How might remembering that Jesus is powerful over the chaos of life help you when life seems out of control? When you're struggling with sin?

Pray

- Thanks that God is powerful over creation and over sin
- That we would trust God when life is messy and chaotic
- That we can rest in the fact that through Jesus, God has dealt with our sinful and broken hearts

Coming up

- Prayer & Praise **Wed Mar 3**
- Pancakes in the Park **Sat Mar 27**
- Staying sharp **this Friday 930am, Church hall**

PRAYER

PRAISE

DATE: WED 3 MARCH

TIME: 7PM

PLACE: DPC AUDITORIUM



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2. GOD IS GREAT BECAUSE HE CARES FOR HUMANITY

Have you ever been put in charge of a group of people? Ever been given the job of looking after or caring for a bunch of people? Maybe you were a leader on a kids camp, or lead a team at work or school? How do you think people viewed you in that position?

How would you describe our world/culture's general view of whether or not God cares about people (assuming He exists)? Is it positive or negative?

Read Psalm 8

1. Why do you think God is establishing his strength through the mouths of babies (or infants) as we see in verse 2?

2. Does being a "little lower than the heavenly beings" show people's importance or insignificance? Do you think God has a "high view" or "low view" of humanity?

3. How is God's role for mankind different to what the world often thinks it is? How can you go against the tide of worldly thinking and live out God's role for you?

Read John 3:16-18 & 1 Peter 3:18

4. Based on these passages (and Psalm 8), how do you think we should we think about ourselves?

5. What can we do to remind each other of the value that God places on humanity?

Pray

- Praise God that He loves us and cares for us all individually
- Thank God that He is all powerful and uses people - even children and infants - to show His power
- Pray that we continue to look for moments that God has worked in our lives

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3. GOD IS GREAT BECAUSE HE IS HOLY

Do you ever find yourself (or hear others) asking the question "I'm a good person...aren't I?"
How do people normally go about answering this question?

Read Isaiah 6

1. Who does Isaiah compare himself too? How does that go for him?

2. How does God respond to Isaiah?

3. How does Isaiah respond to God?

4. How will our 'good' friends see the holy goodness of God?

5. What does the gospel of Jesus say to/do for the person who says "I don't know why I need saving...I'm a good person aren't I?"

Pray

- Praise God for his holiness
- Thank God for dealing with our sin in Jesus
- Ask him to help us reflect his holiness to others

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- Pancakes in the Park **Sat Mar 27**
- Good Friday service **Apr 2**
- Easter Sunday service **Apr 4**
- Staying sharp **this Friday 930am, Church hall**

EASTER *Outreach*

PANCAKES IN THE PARK

You are Invited to...

Pancakes in the Park

FREE!

Breakfast and Coffee at Thomas Jack Park
27th March 2021 at 7am

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Easter Church Services

Good Friday | 8am & 9:30am
Easter Sunday | 9:30am & 5pm

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Jesus :- An Introduction

Who is Jesus? Why he came? What it means to follow him?
Over three weeks, see for yourself if Jesus is **GOOD NEWS!**



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4. GOD IS GREAT BECAUSE HE HAS REVEALED HIMSELF

What do you reckon most people in Australia would say if asked "Does God exist, and why/why not?"

What would you say to someone who said "There's no way of knowing if God is actually real or not."

Read John 1:1-5

1. What does it say about Jesus? Who is he, what has he done?

Read John 1:6-13

2. What does this say about Jesus relationship with the world when he came into it? How does this compare to what happens in Mark 1:21-34?

Read John 1:14-18

3. What does this tell us about Jesus?

4. How might these verses help us answer the question of whether or not it's possible to know that God exists?

5. What are some things that help you keep knowing God better?

Pray

- Thanks that God has revealed Himself clearly to us in Jesus
- Thanks that we can know everything we need to know about God and salvation through Jesus
- Ask God to help us keep trusting in Jesus
- Ask God to keep reminding us of the truth of who Jesus

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5. GOD IS GREAT BECAUSE HE GIVES LIFE

What things do you think of when you think of the word "permanent"?

How would you describe the way that our world in general thinks about death?

Read John 11:1-44

1. What does Jesus demonstrate about himself in the story of Lazarus?

Read Ephesians 2:1-10

2. From these verses, what 3 things has God done for those who have been "included with Christ" (ref 1:13)?

Can you describe the movements/stages/process?

(Eph 2 v1-3, v4-5, v6-7)

3. How might these words comfort us when we're confronted with death? When we're doubting or struggling following Jesus?

4. Write down 3 truths from the passage in Ephesians that will help you remember that God is great!

Pray

- Praise God for conquering death through Jesus.
- Thanks God for the new life we have been given in Jesus.
- Thank God for His great love and amazing grace.
- Pray that we would not worry about death but trust in Jesus

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- Pancakes in the Park **Sat Mar 27**
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- Jesus: An Intro **Apr 26/May 3/May 10**
- Staying sharp **this Friday 930am, Church hall**

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6. GOD IS GREAT BECAUSE HE IS VICTORIOUS OVER EVIL

Take a moment to remember some times you were part of a win. A time when you felt great because it worked out really well:

- In a sports team
- At School/Uni
- Work
- As a fan of a sports team

Now, share these with each other and why they felt good.

We love celebrating and we love celebrating a win. That's exactly the kind of thing we're made for. The picture in revelation shows a huge amount of joy and partying!

Read Revelation 19

1. Take a look at the passage and write down all the parts that show God is victorious

2. Why do you think this whole scene is described as a wedding and wedding supper?

3. On Sunday we thought about some practical ways to praise our victorious king, see if you can work together to come up with 10 ideas – a mixture of things you might already do and ideas to do in future.

Pray

- Name some of the reasons to be thankful for God's victory
- Ask God to keep the hope of sharing the final win in front of our eyes - especially when it doesn't seem like Christianity is going so well
- Pray for who came to pancakes in the park
- Pray for someone to join us at Easter services

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APRIL 26
WHO IS JESUS?

Jesus

AN INTRODUCTION

MAY 10
WHAT DOES IT MEAN
TO FOLLOW JESUS?

MAY 3
WHY DID
JESUS COME?

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MISSION PARTNERS

A core part of our mission at DPC is to see the growth of the church across the Darling Downs and the world. And so we support several Mission Partners in Australia and around the world.

Every Growth Group is linked with one of our Mission Partners. This is a simple, but effective way we can keep mission on our minds as a church, and be constantly supporting our Mission Partners in prayer. Below you'll find a list of these Mission Partners, which Growth Groups they are connected to, and contact information for each of them.

What to do with this information:

- Be in contact with Mission Partners (and/or their Go Global representative) once a term to encourage them and get up-to-date information
- Uphold them in prayer regularly
- Consider if there are any other ways you might support them

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