

Date: September 3, 2017 (3)

Scripture Passage *And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. —Colossians 1:17*

Lesson Theme: God created and sustains the universe.

Family Discussion Questions:

- 1) What keeps the planets from spinning off in space? Why do they continue to orbit around the sun?
- 2) Why aren't the planets pulled into the sun and burned up?
- 3) Who designed all this?

Date: September 10, 2017 (4)

Scripture Passage: *The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all. —Psalm 103:19*

Lesson Theme: God governs the universe.

Family Discussion Questions:

- 1) Read the Scripture above: What is included in the "over all" that God rules? What is excluded?
- 2) What does this tell you about the circumstances of your life?
- 3) Where are you having a hard time accepting God's rule?

Date: September 17, 2017 (5)

Scripture Passage: The counsel of the LORD stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations. —Psalm 33:11

Lesson Theme: God has an unchanging plan for the world.

Family Discussion Questions:

- 1) How does Philippians 2:9-11 fit into God's plan? (find and read the scripture)
- 2) What word does Philippians 2:9 start with?
- 3) What does this word signal?

Date: September 24, 2017 (6)

Scripture Passage: *In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will. —Ephesians 1:11*

Lesson Theme: Nothing happens by chance; all things are ordained by God.

Family Discussion Questions:

- 1) How does Ephesians 1:11 describe God?
- 2) Why can Paul say this about God?
- 3) What assurance is given to believers in this verse about receiving an inheritance?

