

BETTER THAN MOSES

John 1:17

DISCUSSION 1

Jesus is better than Moses.

- 1. What are some similarities between Jesus and Moses? What are some differences?
- 2. Why do you think God gave us images (i.e. individuals) in the Old Testament to show us what Christ would be like?
- 3. Can you think of other individuals in the Old Testament who foreshadowed, or pointed to, Jesus? How did they do that?
- 4. Read Heb. 3:1-6. In light of these verses, how is Jesus better than Moses? How is that encouraging to us in our daily lives?

DISCUSSION 2

God created The Law for our good. However, our sin made it impossible to keep The Law.

- 1. Read v. 17. Why do you think John makes this distinction between "The Law" and "grace and truth?" Is one bad and the other good?
- 2. How is the law of God a gracious gift to man?
- 3. Do God's laws still apply today? How are they still a gracious gift to us?

DISCUSSION 3

Jesus brings "Grace and truth".

- 1. Read vv. 16-17 of this week's passage. How does v. 16 help us understand v.17?
- 2. How do the grace and truth of Jesus build on, replace, or finalize The Law?
- 3. Who are some people in the Bible who were touched by the grace and truth of Jesus? How did it impact their lives?

FAMILY DISCIPLESHIP QUESTIONS

- 1. Read Exodus 2 as a family and compare Moses and Jesus. How were they similar? How were they different?
- 2. Read Heb. 3:1-6. Talk about how a house is built. Ask your children why the builder of a house is more important than the house itself. Then, talk about how God is the builder of all things.

3. How do we know what is bad (i.e. sinful)? What did God do to solve our sin problem? What are we supposed to do about the bad things we do?

APPLICATION

Individual: Pray and pursue a gospel opportunity this week. Ask God to bring someone across your path who does not trust in Him. Use the law/ grace approach to explain the nature of sin, God's demands, our sinfulness, and the redemptive work on the cross.

Group: Consider Psalm 1 and Psalm 19. Read them in small groups and commit to meditating on and memorizing one of them this week.