

The Good Song (taught in August 2018)

Psalm 34:10 The lions may grow weak and hungry but those who seek the Lord lack no good things. All things work together for the good of those who love the Lord.

Optional discussion questions/conversation starters:

- Parents: please note once again that these are meant to be greatly adapted for the age of your children. *If you ever feel as though you don't know the answers to the questions, all items can be researched online before you lead your Kids Church.* I don't want to overwhelm you with information! However, on the first bullet below I add something unnecessary that you may not look up. 😊 I just find it helpful and interesting. 😊
- Psalms: Old Testament or New Testament? What is a psalm? Extra: Psalms are mostly songs or poems. Many can be challenging for us to recognize as such since much can be lost when translated from Hebrew. For instance, Psalm 34 is one of the psalms using acrostic poetry, where each line begins with one letter of the alphabetic and in order of the 22 letters of the Hebrew alphabet. (Our activity for today includes an option to write an acrostic poem.) Two other forms of writing that are easily lost in translation are assonance and puns. Hidden in English or not, the poetry is there!
- Older kids: consider reading the entire psalm. (Parents: this psalm covers a lot of items that could fill a book, but if your children are older, discuss all of it! If you look it up, you'll see that there are themes covered in sections – explained by scholars – which makes it a lot easier to discuss.)
- *Overall, this psalm is a praise for deliverance in answer to prayer and instruction in godliness.*
- *To focus on just Psalm 34:10, talk about the second part: “those who seek the Lord lack no good thing.”*
- What does it mean to “seek the Lord”?
- What does it mean to “lack no good thing”?
- If this verse is true, how is it that those who seek the Lord can go without food, struggle through persecution, or have bad things happen to them in life?

- If you want to continue your discussion just a little, read verse 9 and talk about what “fearing the Lord” means.
- Reread the verse and ask: What are some good things God has given you so you do not lack in those areas?
- Close in prayer (can be led by one person or each person can pray), thanking God for all the good things He has given (and gives) to you, and asking God to help each of you “seek the Lord”!
- Finish by playing the song again.

Optional activity during the week: Acrostic Poetry (next page)

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Can you think of a word, beginning with each letter below, that has happened during your stay-at-home time?

G

O

O

D

You might write “Good home-cooked food” for the letter G. Write your words for each letter. Can you see how God has used these things for GOOD?

Write an acrostic poem (like our verse today!) where each line starts with specific letters.

Extra Challenge: write a poem using each letter of the alphabet in order – just like Psalm 34!