

# The 5 purposes of church: Magnification

(Ps 145, Eph 1, Rm 12:1-2)

## **Big idea**

We have been made by God to live for him.

God wants us to say "Wow!!!! You're amazing Lord!" and live everyday to please him.

## **Memory verse**

Psalm 145:1-2a

I praise your greatness, my God the King.

I will praise you forever and ever.

I will praise you every day.

## **Family discussion**

### **Icebreaker**

Have you ever had someone say they are your friend, but never want to talk to you? What was it like? What did you wish they would do?

### **Discuss**

From Jesus' parable, which son pleased the Father?

### **Read Romans 12:1a, 2 (ICB)**

So brothers, since God has shown us great mercy, I beg you to offer your lives as a living sacrifice to him. Your offering must be only for God and pleasing to him. This is the spiritual way for you to worship. 2 Do not be shaped by this world. Instead be changed within by a new way of thinking.

Then you will be able to decide what God wants for you. And you will be able to know what is good and pleasing to God and what is perfect.

What has God shown us? v 1

(mercy, kindness that we don't deserve)

When we understand how kind God has been to us ... we are told to worship him (think "Wow ... you're amazing Lord")

What does v 1 say it means to worship God?

(Offer our lives to him ... give up our lives for him. Remember we are made **by God for him!**)

\* this may take some discussion for little kids - but have a go! Key concept to grasp!!

What does Paul tell us to do in v 2?

(change the way we think, don't think like the world thinks)

If we think God's way, what will we be able to do? v 2

(know what is the right thing to do, please God)

### **Put it all together and get practical**

So what does it mean to magnify God?

How can we magnify God?

God is pleased when we learn what things please him and when we actually do them!

How might that change the things we say and do this week?

*Share ideas of how you can magnify God everyday this week.*

**Cut out for the fridge:**

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