

# God Knows

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**STEP 1** 

**Lesson 3****Focus:**

Only God knows everything.

**Echoes Focus**

That your students will seek God's guidance in difficult situations.

**Lesson 3****Bible Basis:**

Daniel 2:1-49

**Lesson 3****Memory Verse:**

"Surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries for you were able to reveal this mystery."

—Daniel 2:47

**Echoes Verse**

"I lift up my eyes to the mountains—where does my help come from? My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth." —Psalm 121:1-2

**Students will consider that even the smartest people know only a small portion of what God knows and will realize the need to turn to God for answers.**

**Materials:**

- Internet access
- Whiteboard and marker (or screenshared document)

Divide the whiteboard (or screenshared document) into two columns. Spark a discussion as your students enter the class. Start by asking one thing students think they know a lot about. Write their responses in one of the columns. In the other column, write students' responses to one thing they wish they could know everything about.

After your students have had a chance to respond, play this short video [0:46]:

6-year-old Texan might just be one of the smartest kids in the nation

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CgcXWRexqPk>

**Chandler and the other children members of MENSA know a lot for their age. Based on their learning and problem-solving ability, they probably know more than most people ever will.**

➤ **Do you think these children have knowledge about the topics you shared?** (Answers may vary depending on what the students wrote.)

➤ **These children might know about your topic and about a number of other topics, but there are limitations to their knowledge. What are some things that even the smartest children or adults in the world will never be smart enough to know?** (Answers will vary but include things only God knows: The day they'll die; the number of children they'll have; when Jesus will return; the number of stars in the sky; the number of grains of sand on the earth, etc.)

**Some people will say that if you know where to find the answers, you don't need to store them all in your head. If you know what book to look in, what website to search, or what person to ask, you will have the information you need when you need it.**

➤ **Where do you look for knowledge or for answers to questions you may have?**  
(Answers will vary; parents, teachers, grandparents.)

**We like to be smart. We like to think we know more than other people. Even though we don't have Einstein's IQ, we have ways of obtaining knowledge when we need it. But what happens when our sources do not have the answers we seek? Nebuchadnezzar found himself in just such a predicament. Let's see how he got his answers.**

(Continue on to Steps 2 and 3 in your teacher's guide; your Step 4 appears below.)



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**Materials:**

- Internet access
- Index cards (1 per student)
- Pens/pencils (1 per student)

If your class is meeting online, invite students to bring supplies with them to class. (Today is Father's Day. Be sensitive to those whose fathers are not in their lives due to death, divorce, incarceration or other reasons. Emphasize that God is a Father who never leaves us and always loves us, and is the one to turn to with any need.)

**No human has all the answers—no genius child, no adult leader. We do, however, have a lot of questions. So, like Daniel, we need to know where to turn for answers or help with the tough questions.**

Distribute supplies (or invite students to have them ready at home). **Today is Father's Day. You may or may not have an earthly father in your life, but if you have trusted Jesus for your salvation, you have the all-knowing God as your heavenly Father. We are going to make Father's Day cards for God—cards that acknowledge that God knows everything and that He's the one we'll turn to for answers.**

**Write a "Happy Father's Day" sentiment somewhere on your card. Give your students a minute to do this. Now, let's offer those cards to God and acknowledge that God is the Giver of knowledge and the one who knows everything. On the other side of your card, write "My Father God knows everything."**

As time allows, have the students find their own space for a quiet time with God. In this space, they will present their Father's Day cards to God by holding the card and prayerfully thanking God for knowing everything and being the One they can turn to for answers and help. Encourage the students to continue to use prayer to present this card to God during the week. They can read from both sides and thank God for the knowledge He has given them on the topics they know a lot about, and they can ask for help or knowledge in the areas they seek answers.

If time is limited, close in a prayer that includes a silent time for students to offer their Father's Day cards to our all-knowing God.

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