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PARENT GUIDE

LESSON 4.2: BEAUTY

SCRIPTURE: REVELATION 21

SUMMARY:

The Bible ends the same way it begins—with a picture of beauty. In Genesis, we begin with a beautiful picture of creation and this final moment in Revelation is a picture of heaven and earth becoming one. This idea of beauty can point us to God. The best possible explanation for the origin of beauty is God. God was the originator of beauty in Genesis and He delivers the final act of beauty in creation in Revelation 21.

God wants us to enjoy and appreciate beauty. He created the world and called it good. Likewise, humans have a desire to create beautiful things because we were created in the image of the Divine Artist. If beauty is objective and not merely in the eye of the beholder, then the best explanation for it is God.

CORE VERSE	CORE CONCEPTS
<i>Isaiah 33:17</i>	<p>Objective beauty points to a divine artist.</p> <hr/> <p>BEAUTY: A combination of qualities that pleases the aesthetic senses</p>

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Talk to me about the most interesting thing you learned from this week's lesson.
- If you were looking at creation as a work of art, how would you describe the artist?
- What is the purpose or value of beauty and finding things beautiful?
- How is beauty and the enjoyment we find in beautiful things a reflection of its creator?
- Describe your next steps based on what you've learned. How can I help?