

▶ LESSON 8.2: YOU

STUDENTS STUDIED:

- » Titus 1–2
- » Titus 2–3
- » John 17; 3 John
- » Revelation 1–3

STUDENTS MEMORIZED AT LEAST ONE OF THE FOLLOWING VERSES:

- » Titus 3:5*
- » 3 John 1:2
- » Revelation 3:19–20

ADDITIONAL READING:

- » Ephesians 1:3–14

Students Learned the Following Definitions:

GLORY: God's possession and characteristic, which he bestows to all His creation

GRACE: unearned favor from a relationship with God, expressed most in the gift of salvation and the Christ-life that salvation is (1 Corinthians 15:10; Ephesians 2:8)

DOCTRINE: the entirety of truths that form and flow from the Bible; the basis of orthodox Christianity (1 Timothy 4:13, 16; 2 Timothy 4:3)

THEOLOGY: literally, the study of God; practically, the study of Christian doctrines observed in the Scriptures and their application to the issues of life

MERCY: what God gives out of His love for His children to those who are lost in their sins and have recognized their need for a Savior; a blessing bestowed upon Christians through the sacrificial death of Jesus

FELLOWSHIP: from the biblical word *koinonia* (Greek), where we get our words communion and community

TRUTH: that which aligns with reality; God's Word

SANCTIFY: to make holy; to set apart (Ephesians 4:22–24)

INVITATION: requesting the presence or participation of someone

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4
Students considered how grace displays the glory of God.	Students considered how mercy displays the glory of God.	Students considered how truth displays the glory of God.	Students considered how God's invitation through Jesus displays His glory.
They read about Paul's protege Titus and Titus' call to ministry in Crete. They also learned how God's grace can be reflected in their lives.	They learned about spiritual mentorship from Paul's instructions to Titus, how those instructions affected the selection of elders chosen to lead, and how older men and women were to train up younger men and women in the faith.	They read the epistle of 3 John, observed the character of Gaius and Diotrephes, and considered how actions reveal to what extent the truth of Christ is working in their lives.	They discovered Jesus is God's invitation to faith; He stands at the door of every believer's heart, inviting them into deep, meaningful fellowship with Him.

IDENTITY INSIGHT:

God's glory reveals Who He is. I am not only His image bearer but one who reflects His glory to the world as I become more and more like Jesus.

Students circled which verse they chose to memorize.

TITUS 3:5*

3 JOHN 1:2

REVELATION 3:19-20

DISCUSSION

► SHARE

After becoming a Christ-follower, share how God revealed a part of His glory — the story of Who He is — to you. What did He reveal, and how did it change you?

► ASK

Read Jeremiah 31:31-34 and Ezekiel 36:26-27 as a group. Remind students that we are no longer under the old covenant but the new covenant. Ask students the following: "How can we know God today? What does it look like to have a heart of flesh before the Lord?"

► ACT

Identify friends or family members who are far from the Lord. Pray as a group for God to remove the veils that cover the hearts of lost loved ones and replace their hearts of stone with hearts of flesh, receptive to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Encourage each student to ask the Lord for hearts that are receptive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

TEACHING NOTES:
