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Exercise: The nature of God

Look at the list of words that different parts of the bible use to describe God and circle up to three that strike you as particularly powerful or surprising.



**Abundant, Almighty, Alpha (Beginning),
Blessing, Builder, Creator, Equipper,
Everlasting, Generous, Giver, Grace,
Kind, King, Judge, LORD, Love,
Majestic, Merciful, Mighty,
Omega (End), Poor, Providing,
Redeemer, Renewing, Rescuer,
Rich, Righteous, Saving, Sovereign, Tireless,
Trustworthy, Understanding, Unfathomable**



Bible: Psalm 8

Read Psalm 8 aloud together and then read it again. Share together any phrase that struck you.

- ¹ LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory
in the heavens.
- ² Through the praise of children and infants
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,
to silence the foe and the avenger.
- ³ When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place,
- ⁴ what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?
- ⁵ You have made them a little lower than the angels
and crowned them with glory and honour.
- ⁶ You made them rulers over the works of your hands;
you put everything under their feet:
- ⁷ all flocks and herds,
and the animals of the wild,
- ⁸ the birds in the sky,
and the fish in the sea,
all that swim the paths of the seas.
- ⁹ LORD, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

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School pets

It's often said that "to fail to plan is to plan to fail".

In the creation story, we see that God planned to make man and that he put him in the garden to "take care of it" (Genesis 2:15).






Imagine you're back at school and you've been chosen to look after the class goldfish/hamster. What would you need to do?

Have a group discussion to see just what would be involved to make sure the goldfish/hamster returns to the class ALIVE at the start of term.



Our responsibilities

As stewards of all that God has given us, what are our responsibilities for the world, the church and people?

	My responsibilities for the world include:
	My responsibilities for the local and worldwide church include:
	My responsibilities for other people include:

Prayer: (2 minutes)

Join in praying the Giving Generously prayer.

**Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.
All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you. Amen.**



Take Away activity: (1 minute)

Until you next meet, try to notice when you see people being generous and give thanks for that person's generosity and for Creator God, the source of our generosity.

