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To see what God is like, all we need to do is look at what Jesus is like.

Big Idea: Jesus is what God is like.

Key Verses: Christ is the visible image of the invisible God. He existed before anything was created and is supreme over all creation, for through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him. He existed before anything else, and he holds all creation together. | Colossians 1:15-17 (NLT)

1. HANGOUT

Supplies:

- None

Instructions:

- Discuss:
 - When someone says the word "dog" what do you picture in your mind (i.e., a specific dog or a breed)?
 - When someone says the word "house" what do you picture?
 - When someone talks about God, what comes to your mind?
- Explain that we may all have different pictures of God in our minds, but **Jesus is what God is like**.

2. HEAR

Supplies:

- Bibles

Instructions:

- Make sure everyone has a Bible. Share them if needed.
- Guide the students to look up and read John 1:1-5 and then Colossians 1:15-17.
- Discuss:
 - What's similar about these passages? What's different about them?
 - What do they both tell us about Jesus?
 - What sticks out to you in these verses? Why?
 - Why do you think knowing that **Jesus is what God is like** matters to us as Christ-followers? How is it different from believing our own ideas about God?
- Explain that when we encounter Jesus, we experience "God with us"—not God out there somewhere, but God right here with us. Jesus lived a real life, performed miracles, had friends, laid down his own life for us, and rose from the dead. He is alive now and forever! If we really believe this, Jesus makes a huge difference in our lives.

3. HUDDLE

Supplies:

- None

Instructions:

- Discuss: If you believe that **Jesus is what God is like**, how do you live this out at school, at home, online, or when you're alone?
- Pray for one another about what was discussed and shared.