



Gospel Light®

HOME DISCUSSION GUIDE
for ages 10-12

SUMMER A
Lesson 8

God Is Ready

*The Lord is gracious and compassionate,
slow to anger and rich in love.*

Psalm 145:8

It doesn't matter how old we get, we continue to need God—because we mess up! Maybe it's as subtle as inner worry that makes you irritable to your family, rather than resting in God and trusting that He is still in control. I let my kids know when I have failed in these ways. They need to know that I need to ask for God's forgiveness. I've told them, **It is because of God's patience and love for us that He continually offers forgiveness and help to obey Him.** It is freeing to know that He is big and great enough to cover my inadequacies. I want to get that kind of rest and trust in God across to my kids, so that they aren't shaped by my failures, but by God's grace! I want them to continue to come to God and ask for His forgiveness and help.

Try This:

I commend my preteens when they play a game with younger siblings. **Thanks for playing with the younger kids. I know it's hard to be patient sometimes. But you're developing a quality God tells us to have. And the more we all practice being patient, the better we'll be at it!**