OBSERVATION -- As a group, talk through and summarize the passage. Think through *Who, What, Where, When, How, Why* questions together.

INTERPRETATION -- Answer these questions together:

1. What does this passage teach us about God?

a) What do we learn about the nature and power of God in these passages?

2. What does this passage teach us about us?

a) We live in a world that rejects God's grace and grace in general. Is there anywhere in your life that you find it hard to find or receive grace? To show grace?

3. What does this passage teach us about grace/salvation? How does it point to Christ?

a) Re-read John 1:12. How would you explain receiving and believing in Jesus' name to someone? What does it mean to you to believe in the name of Jesus?

b) Why is it so important that we see Jesus first and foremost as our savior from our sins?

APPLICATION

a) What does it mean to you that you have been made a child of God? Think about sharing the nature and status of Jesus. How might your life be different as you believed this more and more?

FIGHTER VERSES: John 1:1-5. Challenge: John 1:1-18.

PRAYER

- Praise God for making you his child through Jesus Christ.
- Confess ways that you are still rejecting God's grace.
- Thank Jesus for sharing his nature and his status with you.
- Ask God to help you to trust your new nature and your status in Christ.