# NAMES OF GOD LESSON 2: ALPHA AND OMEGA

#### **MATERIALS:**

Activity Page Scissors Glue sticks

#### **PREPARATION:**

Print the handouts.

#### WHAT YOU WILL DO:

Talk about things that have a beginning and end, such as the alphabet, a line to ride a roller coaster, or a book. Ask your child to decide if each picture represents the beginning or the end of something. Then they will cut out the pieces and glue them in the appropriate box.

**Application:** Tell your child that the book of Revelation tells us about one of God's special names: Alpha and Omega. Explain that "alpha" and "omega" are the first and last letters in the Greek alphabet, so the name means that God is the Beginning and the End. So, we never have to worry if God is in control because He was present at the beginning, He's with us now, and He will be present for all eternity!

#### **MEMORY WORK**

"I am the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End." Revelation 22:13 NIV

#### **SCRIPTURE READING AND DISCUSSION Introduction:**

Did you know there are some truths in the Bible that haven't occurred yet? The Bible word for this is "prophecy," meaning a perfect look into the future. God used His people – individual men and women – to tell about His plans for the future. Today we will learn about another special name for God by reading from the book of Revelation, which contains many prophecies.

Read Revelation 1:1-8 (A special name is revealed.)

#### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. Who gave the revelation, or message, from God? (Jesus Christ.)
- 2. Who received the revelation? (John.)
- 3. How are we blessed by the revelation? (By reading its words and "taking it to heart," or obeying it.)
- 4. How is Jesus described? (Faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the Kings of earth.)
- 5. What will happen to Jesus in the future? (He will "come with the clouds," or return to earth.)
- 6. What is the special name given to God? (Alpha and Omega.)
- 7. What does the name mean? (It means that God has always been present and will always be present. Also, He began all things and will end all things.)
- 8. So, why is this name special? (It teaches us that we can trust God because He has always been in control and will always be in control.)
- 9. How has God already proven that He is the Alpha and Omega through the life of His son, Jesus? (Because He promised us salvation and Jesus' resurrection proved that God's plan has always been, and will always be, perfect.)

**Conclusion:** God is eternal, and He is active in every part of creation, history, and our lives! Because He is "Alpha and Omega," we can trust that His plan of salvation through Jesus Christ is true. God has wonderful things in store for His children.

## Alpha or Omega?

### **Directions:**

Cut out the pictures at the bottom of the page and glue each picture in the correct box.

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