

Made: Discover who you're meant to be

WEEK  
**ONE**

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SMALL GROUP

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## BIBLE STORY

**Art in Me**  
Image of God  
Genesis 1:26-28

## MEMORY VERSE

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Psalm 139:14, NIV

## LIFE APP

**Individuality—Discovering who you are meant to be**

## BOTTOM LINE

**God made me in His image.**

## BASIC TRUTH

**I can trust God no matter what.**

### PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

For Leaders Only  
Create the Environment  
Monthly Overview

**15**  
MIN

### SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Early Arrivers  
What Do You See?

**25**  
MIN

### STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

Opener  
Bible Story  
Worship  
Prayer  
Closer

**10**  
MIN

### WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God

"At the Top of My Lungs" from *At the Top of My Lungs*  
"Good Always" from *Every Beat*

**25**  
MIN

### GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Coin Rubbings  
Framed  
Mirror Me  
Prayer

### HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

GodTime  
Parent Cue

## GETTING READY

### SOCIAL: PROVIDING TIME FOR FUN INTERACTION

CHOOSE ONE OR BOTH OF THESE ACTIVITIES.

#### EARLY ARRIVER IDEA

*Made to Connect:* an activity that invites kids to share with others and build on their understanding

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- An offering container
- Starburst® candies or four colors of crayons; one for each kid

#### WHAT DO YOU SEE?

*Made to Explore:* an activity that extends learning through hands on experimentation and discovery

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Two or three floor puzzles (24-36 pieces each)

### GROUPS: CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT

CHOOSE AS MANY OF THESE ACTIVITIES AS YOU LIKE.

\* If you don't have time to do all these activities, be sure to do activity #2.

#### 1. COIN RUBBINGS

##### [TALK ABOUT GOD | BIBLE STORY REVIEW]

*Made to Create:* an activity that explores spiritual ideas through the process of drawing, building, and designing

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Coins; one for every three kids
- Paper
- Pencils or crayons
- Bibles marked at Genesis 1:26-28

#### \* 2. FRAMED

##### [LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

*Made to Create:* an activity that explores spiritual ideas through the process of drawing, building, and designing

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Print the "Picture Frame" Activity Page on cardstock; one for each child
- Markers
- Scissors

#### 3. MIRROR ME

##### [HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITY]

*Made to Play:* an activity that encourages learning through following guidelines and working as a group

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Bibles

#### PRAYER

##### [PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

*Made to Reflect:* an activity that creates space for personal understanding and application

##### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Print the "Week One Bottom Line Labels" on Avery® #5160 labels or equivalent; one label for each kid
- NOTE: Kids will take home a "Bottom Line Label" to add to their frames each week this month. Kids who are present this week will take their frames home today. Make sure to provide extra copies of the "Picture Frame" Activity Page from the "Frames" activity in your supply bins all month long to hand out to kids that miss Week One.

#### ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

- Make copies on cardstock or email this week's GodTime and Parent Cue cards.
- Tell parents about our additional family resources: **Studio252.tv** and the **Parent Cue app**.

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## CONNECT

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Welcome kids and spend time engaging in conversation and catching up. Get ready to experience today's story.

*Before kids arrive, take a few moments to pray for them. Ask God to help kids understand what it means to be created in His image. Pray that God will show them personally how He made them each uniquely amazing and wonderful. Ask God to show you how to help kids discover their individuality and how that relates to God, who created them.*

### 1. EARLY ARRIVER IDEA

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Offering container, Starburst® candies or crayons

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Welcome the kids to your Sunday environment and encourage them to place their offerings in the offering container.
- Each week this month, you will introduce an ice breaker game to allow the kids to express their individuality as they get to know each other better.
- Let each kid select a Starburst. Before they eat their candy, have them answer one of the questions below based on the color they've selected.
  - Orange: What your favorite sport?
  - Yellow: What's your favorite thing to do for fun?
  - Red: Name the people in your family.
  - Pink: What's your favorite thing to eat?
- If you would prefer a non-candy option, select four colors of crayons and assign each color to one of the questions above.

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## EXPLORE

an activity that extends learning through hands on experimentation and discovery

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## 2. WHAT DO YOU SEE?

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Floor puzzles

### WHAT YOU DO:

- Before kids arrive, pull out several pieces from each puzzle (one piece for each kid).
- Pass out one of those puzzle pieces to each kid.
- Go around the circle and let each kid hold up their puzzle piece to see if they can identify the scene that's happening in the puzzle.
- Help kids who have pieces from the same puzzle group together, and then give them the rest of the pieces to complete their puzzle.
- Once the puzzles are together, see if their one-piece predictions were correct.

### WHAT YOU SAY:

"This activity had you a bit puzzled at first, didn't it? It was hard to know exactly what image would appear without a clear picture of the whole thing. **[Transition] Did you know that YOU have an image? It's true. In fact, you were made to reflect someone VERY important. Let's go find out who it is in Large Group today.**"

*Lead your group to the Large Group area.*

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## CREATE

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### 1. COIN RUBBINGS

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Bibles, coins, paper, and crayons

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Instruct the kids to get into groups of three.
- Pass out paper and crayons. Give each group a few different coins. If possible, provide clipboards or a table so the kids have a flat surface to work on.
- Encourage the kids to place a coin on top of a flat surface and place the paper on top of the coin.
- Show the kids how to use the side of the tip of the crayon to rub over the coin to transfer the image of the coin onto the paper.
- Make sure everyone in each trio has a turn to create several coin rubbings. They can share the crayons too so they end up with a colorful page of coin rubbings.
- Select two or three volunteers to read Genesis 1:26-38.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"What happened when you rubbed the pencil over the piece of paper? *(Pause for responses.)* Yes! The image of the coin was transferred to the paper. Today we learned that each of us is made in the image of God. That means that of all the things that God created—from oceans full of fish to star-filled skies—YOU are most like Him. You can love and think and imagine and create. You are made in His image and reflect Him to people around you. So remember: **God made me in His image.**"

***[Make It Personal]*** *(Tell your group about a time when you were a kid and you didn't love something about yourself or the way God made you. Maybe you couldn't run as fast as other kids or you were really good at math but others thought that wasn't cool. Share how knowing that you are made in God's image helped you to understand that nothing about you is a mistake and your individuality is a gift from your heavenly Father.)*

## LIVE FOR GOD APPLICATION ACTIVITY



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**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Picture Frame" Activity Page, markers and scissors

**WHAT YOU DO:**

- Pass out a "Picture Frame" Activity Page to each kid in your group.
- Encourage them to decorate the frame any way they choose with the markers and cut out the center of the page to create a frame.
- Have the kids write their names on the backs of their frames and set aside for the prayer activity at the end.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"I love how unique and individual each of these frames is—just like each one of you! But we all have one BIG thing in common: **God made me in His image.** The way God made you is completely wonderful. I want you to take these frames home and tape them up to your mirror so that it frames you face as you look at your reflection. Each time you brush your teeth or comb your hair, I want you to remember that God loves you so much—enough to create you to be most like Him so that He could have a relationship with you. Never forget: **God made me in His image.**"

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## 3. MIRROR ME

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Bibles

### WHAT YOU DO:

Look up this month's memory verse (Psalm 139:14) using the navigation tips below.

*Finding verses with 2nd and 3rd graders:* Guide them to open their Bibles to the front and find the table of contents. (*Hold up a Bible opened to the table of contents to show the kids what the page looks like.*) When the kids find the table of contents, lead them to find Psalm in the list under "Old Testament." You can help by telling them that Psalm starts with the letters P-S. When the kids find Psalms, lead them to look at the page number beside the word. Explain that the number tells them on what page they can find Psalm. Help the kids find the page. You can also share that Psalms can usually be found by flipping to the center of your Bible. When they find Psalms, explain that the big numbers on the page are the chapter numbers. Help them find chapter 139. Explain that the small numbers are verse numbers. Help them find verse 14 in chapter 139.

- Once you've found the verse and reviewed it as a group, split into two teams.
- Assign each phrase of the verse, broken down below, to each team.
  - Phrase One: *How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that.*
  - Phrase Two: *What you have done is wonderful. I know that full well.* Psalm 139:14, Nlrv
- Group One will begin by repeating Phrase One as Group Two follows with Phrase Two. But before they start reciting, Group One must huddle up and quietly select an emotion they will show on their faces as they say the phrase. Examples: sadness, fear, surprise, anger, happiness.
- Once Group One is finished, Group Two will mirror the emotion from Group One as they say the second half of the verse. When they finish their phrase, allow Group Two to name the emotion that Group One selected.
- For the next round, switch! Let Group Two select an emotion and say Phrase One of the verse while showing that emotion as Group One finishes with Phrase Two, mimicking and then naming the emotion they see.

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- Go back and forth changing emotions and verse phrases between the teams at least two more rounds.

**WHAT YOU SAY:**

"You did a great job mirroring the emotions of the other team as we repeated this month's memory verse. I love the fact that no matter how you're feeling—whether you're sad, or frustrated or worried or scared—those emotions don't change who you are! The way God made you is wonderful and amazing! You can know that 100 percent because **God made me in His image.**"

## PRAY TO GOD PRAYER ACTIVITY



## REFLECT

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### PRAY AND DISMISS

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Kids' "Picture Frames" (from the "Framed" activity), "Week One Bottom Line Labels" Activity Page

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Ask the kids to grab the "Picture Frames" they colored earlier.
- Pass out a label to each child and select a volunteer to read it to the group.
- Instruct the kids to add the label to the side of their frames. Explain that you will have a label for them each week, so they should make sure they leave room on the sides to add four more labels.
- Encourage the children to hold their frames as you pray a prayer over them like the one below.

#### WHAT YOU SAY:

"Dear God, thanks for reminding us today that **God made me in His image**. Sometimes when we look in the mirror, we just see all the things we wish we could change. But that's not what You see! You see a beautiful, wonderful, amazing creation, made like You. Help us to remember this week that we are special and deeply loved by You. Thanks for being our most awesome, loving, creative heavenly Father. In Jesus' name we pray, amen."

"Don't forget to take these frames home and tape them to your mirror as a reminder that **God made me in His image**. I hope you have a GREAT week!"

As adults arrive to pick up, point out the "Picture Frames" and today's Bottom Line. Encourage the kids to tell their parents about where they are to place the frames when they get home.