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Individuality:

Discovering who
you're meant to
be so you can
make a difference

Memory Verse

How you made
me is amazing
and wonderful. I
praise you for
that. What you
have done is
wonderful. I know
that very well.

Psalm 139:14, NIRV

Bible Story

Image of God

Genesis 1:26-28

Bottom Line

You were made in
God's image.

Use this guide to help your family learn
what God has to say about individuality.

Activity

You-nique

What You Need:

Paper and writing utensil



What You Do:

Tell your child that you want them to draw something according to your instructions, but they won't know what it is they're drawing. If you can grab a sibling or other family member to draw along with them, even better. *(The final drawing should look like a person made out of shapes. Go ahead and prepare a picture of your own to reveal to them what you're describing—after they've drawn it themselves.)*

Directions:

- Draw a large rectangle that is tall, not wide.
- On top of the rectangle, draw a little square in the middle of the top line of the rectangle, touching the top line.
- Draw a circle about as wide as the big rectangle. It should sit above the small square and touch it.
- On the sides of the big rectangle, draw two smaller rectangles that go out in an upward angle. Draw one on each side near the top of the big rectangle.
- Draw two smaller rectangles side-by-side, coming from the bottom of the big rectangle, about half the length of the big rectangle. On top of the circle above the big rectangle, draw six small triangles side by side and touching.
- Inside the big circle, draw two smaller circles, near the top of the big circle, but still inside and somewhat close together.

Now, share your drawing and see how close they got to your description. *(Try to make the comparison silly so they don't feel like they did it wrong!)*

Talk About the Bible Story

Does your drawing look like my drawing? *(No, but that's okay! You drew the shapes you saw in your mind.)*

Do you think it would be boring if everyone looked the same, talked the same, and thought the same? *(Yes! God made us different on purpose.)*

True or false? I have special skills and talents that God gave me. *(True! There are things only you can do, in your own special way.)*

How are humans different from any of God's other creations? *(God created us in His image—set apart from all other creations.)*

What does it mean to be made in the image of God? *(God created us to show others what He is like.)*

Parent: Share about what you think it means to be made in God's image. Talk about someone you know who does a good job showing others what God is like.

Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"Dear God, thank You for Your work of creation. Thank You for all that You have made, and especially for making each of us in Your image. Help us to show Your love to others and live the way You created us to be. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."