

BIG TRUTH: GOD MADE ME VALUABLE

Genesis 1:27; Psalm 24:1-2; 104:24; Isaiah 43:4; 49:15; Zephaniah 3:17; Matthew 6:26; 30-34; Luke 12:4-7; 24; 28-31; John 3:16; Romans 5:8; 1 John 3:1; 4:9-10

BIBLE VERSE: PSALM 139:13-14

"For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it well."

BIG IDEAS

- Everyone has value and worth because we are made in God's image.
- Our failures and sin do not change our value and worth.
- We are made lovely by God's love for us through Jesus.

BIBLE STORY: JOHN 4

Every person is created by God and has great value. Because every person is created in God's image, we are all valuable no matter how we sin or fail. God loves each person and has made us all uniquely and incredibly. We are of great value to Him and we should value all life.

STORY: CREATION

God created everything. Everything we see, hear, feel, taste, and that exists was created by Him. Not only did He create everything, but He created everything perfectly, including humanity. He created mankind in His very image and likeness to reflect His worth. All of creation was made just like He wanted and designed it to be. To His delight, God looked at everything He made and declared that it was good. All creation exists for God, is good, and was created to bring Him glory.

BIG AIMS**Every child should know that:**

- God created man and woman in His image

**Every child should:**

- Respect other people as image bearers

**Every child should feel:**

- Unique among all creation as an image bearer

**Every child should want:**

- To be holy and reflect God's image well

EVERY PERSON IS VALUABLE

Spend some time showing your child pictures of different people groups. Look for these in books or online. Ask your child to describe the difference between people who live in another country and your family. Remind your child that even though we are all different in many ways, we are all very valuable to God.

DISCOVER IT: *(Use the passage to illustrate the Big Truth.)*

John 4.

THINK ABOUT IT: *(Use the commentary to reinforce the Big Truth.)*

Jesus didn't have to go through Samaria to get to Galilee. He could have done what was common for Jews to do and that was to go around Samaria. Jesus didn't do that though. He chose to go through Samaria even though the Jews didn't like the Samaritans. Jesus showed that every single person has value. He doesn't just love a certain type of person; He loves all people. Jesus showed the value that every person has by speaking to the Samaritan woman who was at the well. She had a bad reputation because of her life situation. He asked her for water and He showed her that He was on the earth to save people from their sins. Every person is created valuable. There is no person who isn't valuable.

TALK ABOUT IT: *(Use the questions to discuss the Big Truth)*

- Why did Jesus go through Samaria? (He chose to go through Samaria to meet the woman at the well.)
- What did Jesus show everyone when He chose to speak to the woman at the well? (He showed that every person is valuable.)



Help your child memorize Psalm 139:13-14 by helping your child write the verse on a piece of paper that can be placed in a visible area.



Help your child show that every person has value by creating a care package for someone. Help your child choose the person he or she wants to send a care package to and then help him or her gather the things they want to send. They can make cookies, send cards, etc. Talk with your child about how we should see every person as valuable because God made every person in His image.



Help your child gather together at least three things that they consider valuable. Spend some time talking about why they are valuable and what makes them important to your child. Talk with your child about how valuable God finds them. Tell him or her that He created them in His image and He loves them very much.



Create an online scavenger hunt for your child. Include in your scavenger hunt people from different countries for your child to collect facts about, such as popular foods, what their houses look like, etc. Lead your child in a discussion about how God created all people in His image and all people are valuable.

As a family, spend a few moments each day praying for a group of people who are unreached with the Gospel or may be forgotten because they are outcasts, such as homeless people, prisoners, etc. Remind your child that God created every person in His image and every person is valuable.