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2 Corinthians 5:17; Galatians 5:16; Romans 8:29

BIBLE VERSE: REVELATION 21:3-5

“And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, ‘Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be His people, and God Himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.’ And He who was seated on the throne said, ‘Behold, I am making all things new.’ Also He said, ‘Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.’”

BIG IDEAS

- Redeemed image bearers live with purpose today because Jesus is coming soon.
- Redeemed image bearers look forward to the day when God will remove all sin, death, and sorrow.
- Redeemed image bearers can have peace and hope today because God’s promises are trustworthy and true.

BIBLE PASSAGE: REVELATION 21:1-27

KNEEL - I AM AN IMAGE BEARER

The Kneel Year is an exploration of what it means to worship God with our all (Luke 10:26-28). Worship is not something that is limited to a service once a week, but instead occurs every day, in all of life. We are unceasing worshipers. Worship never stops, it only changes directions. In order to worship God with all of our heart, soul, strength, and mind, we must embrace our identity as image bearers. It is out of that identity that we can begin to live for God’s glory in all of life (Colossians 3:17).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- They were created in God’s image and likeness for the purpose of worship.
- Value, purpose, significance, and worth are found in and flow from God alone.



Every student should feel...

- Awe that God created them in His own image.
- Loved by their heavenly Father who knows them better than they know themselves and still pursues them.



Every student should strive to...

- Understand and embrace who God created them to be.
- Talk about gender and identity as a gift from the Lord for His purposes and His glory.
- Memorize the Bible verse each week.



Every student should want...

- To have a deeper relationship with the God who made them in His image.
- To pursue a lifestyle of worship that centers on the true Savior and rejects false saviors.

STUDENT WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder what it means for us to look forward to Christ’s return when He makes all things new. We will pray for a better understanding of the hope and peace we can have now and we will practice living with purpose in hope of God’s return.

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- As you read, consider what it means that God will dwell with His people. How will God make things new? Consider what it means to be made new in God's image. How can you live today looking forward to when God makes all things new?
- Ponder the ways you have trusted God's Word to be true and the ways you have not. In what ways have you forfeited the peace you could have because you have doubted God's Word? How have you lived focused on this life instead of living for the life to come? How have you found God to be trustworthy and true?

**Set aside a time to pray this week.**

- When you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you the things that have distracted you from looking forward to Christ's return. Pray for a greater understanding of what it means to live intentionally longing for Christ's return.
- Set up a time to pray with your small group leader this week. Pray that you would live purposefully for Christ on this earth in hopes of the life to come.

**Make a list of some of the things that cause you worry or despair.**

- Next, find Scripture that speaks to the promises of God concerning the things that cause you worry. Make a plan to focus on Christ and His promises in order to live with peace and joy now.
- Discuss with your parent or small group leader ways you can focus your thoughts and mind on Christ and His second coming. Brainstorm ways that you can be more intentional in your thoughts, behaviors, relationships. Determine to live more intentionally for Christ.