

Ark of Covenant Ministries

Kingdom Kids Department

God's Made Me Special: Lesson Overview

SUMMARY:

Today's lesson will be focused on reviewing the creation story of how God made the world, and of how God made us special.

LEARNING POINTS:

- We were created by God and for God.
- We were made in the image of God. To be a reflection, or picture of who He is and what He is like.
- God made each of us very different in unique ways for His glory.
- God created us to be in relationship with Him: to know Him, to love Him, and to serve Him.

MAIN IDEA

- God made us special!

KEY PASSAGES (KP) & MEMORY VERSE (MV):

- KPs: Genesis 1:27; Psalm 139:14a
- MV: Genesis 1:1 - "In the beginning God created the heaven and earth."

God Made Us Special: Lesson Guide

INTRODUCTION:

Lately we've been learning all about how God made the world! We learned that God made the world in how many days? (*wait for responses*) And what did God make on the 6th day? (*wait for responses*) Humans! God made the very first people. Now, when God created humans he created them very special. Does anybody know how He created them special? Well, we're going to learn just how today.

Today's Bible verse is from Genesis 1:27, can you read along with me what it says?

“So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.”

Object Lesson:

Materials:

- Cell phone, or device to take pictures

So God created humans in his image. He created them to be a picture of who He is and what He is like. Kind of like a photograph. For example, (*take a picture of the class or a funny picture of yourself and show it to the class*) if I take my cell phone and take a picture of _____, the picture that you see shows a picture of who? (*wait for responses*) In the same way, God created humans to be a picture of Him to show the world who He is. This is why God made us so special.

LESSON TRANSITION:

So God made all of us in His image, to be a picture of who He is. And not only that, but God created us to be in relationship with Him. He formed us in our mother's belly and knows everything about us. The color of our eyes, how tall we'll be, the color of our skin, our hair, everything! God made us fearfully and wonderfully. God made all of us unique and special in our own way. One way that we can see this is in our fingerprint.

ACTIVITY: My Fingerprint (Medium-Energy, Medium Prep)

To display just how unique God made each of us.

Materials:

- Paper
- Pencils
- Scotch Tape

Instructions:

1. Give each child a *God Made Me Special* Activity Sheet. Go over each point on the sheet.
2. Pass out an index card or plain paper to each of the children and a pencil and have the children rub the pencil on their index card to make their own "ink pad"
3. Have the children gently rub their finger over the ink pad.
4. On a piece of scotch tape, sticky side up, have the children gently place their finger on the tape.
5. Gently lift their finger off the tape and place the tape on the designated area "My Fingerprints" on their Activity sheet.

MEDIA

- ***God Made Me Special*** media video on Kingdom Kids YouTube Playlist.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Have you ever been made fun of because of how you look? How did it make you feel?
2. Have you ever felt like you needed to look like somebody else to feel special?
3. How did God create humans? (In His image)
4. What do you think it means to be made in the image of God? (to be a reflection or picture of who He is)
5. What does Psalm 139:14 say about how God made us?

CLOSING:

God made you just the way you are. You don't have to look like anybody else because God made you fearfully and wonderfully. The color of your skin, the color of your eyes, your hair, your smile, your ears, everything about you was God's idea! Even if others make fun of you and say things about you that hurt, always remember the truth of what God says: and He says that He made you special.