



## Zoom Community Group Lesson – August 7, 2022

### I am Unique - Main Point

I am created unique and I am created in God's image.

#### Scripture

- Genesis 1:27
  - "So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them."

#### Prayer Time

- Spend a couple of minutes in praise and prayer to God.

#### Praise and Worship

- Matt Redman- Fearfully and Wonderfully Made  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AH8J\\_IJ1DrQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AH8J_IJ1DrQ)
- Hillsong Kids - Made In Your Image  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8AC-KtJriw4>

#### Memory Verse

- Psalm 139:14
  - *"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well."*

#### Review of Last Week

- Do you remember Philippians 4:8? Were you able to memorize it? One last time, listen to this fun song to help you remember this verse.
  - JumpStart3  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=10&v=nwn4EMhtST0&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=10&v=nwn4EMhtST0&feature=emb_logo)
- What are the qualities that we have learned about this past month? Did you remember to think about whatever is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, admirable, excellent or praiseworthy this week? Did you remember to think about what Jesus would do before you did something?

#### Lesson

- We have just learned that every person God made is unique and special, but do you know how this came about.
- We have to go back to the very beginning, to the story contained in God's Word, the Book of Genesis, to find out. The different passages are Genesis 1:26-27; Genesis 2:7, 18-25; and also Psalm 139.

- God made us special because He modeled us after HIM.
- The book of Genesis right from the beginning describes a vast variety of things God created, but in essence, what God did was He created a bountiful, beautiful home for us humans, the wonderful things he created last.
- Notice that God created many of each thing: not just one tree, but “every sort of seed-bearing plant, and trees that grow seed-bearing fruit”; not just one star, but “lights in the sky to light the earth”; not just one fish, but “every living thing that scurries and swarms in the water”; not just one horse, but “all sorts of wild animals, livestock, and small animals.
- But also notice that God made people in his own image. Genesis 2:7 says that, “Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.”
- And God put people in charge of animals and even let Adam name them. But we need more than just pets, so God gave Adam a companion. God created us to need other people. Whether it’s a spouse or just a friend, we are wired to depend on one another.
- God made a companion for Adam. He took a rib from Adam’s side and made a woman to be his bride. God looked at his people with love and pride. That’s how God created people! In his image God made us all. We can listen and answer God’s call and spread God’s love to folks big and small. That’s why God created people.
- And guess what else is neat? We are all unique people, too! We have just looked at fingerprints. No two people have the same exact fingerprints! Isn’t that awesome? God is so great...He knows just how many hairs are on your head, and He knows more about you than you even know because He made you.
- Have you heard of something called DNA. God has created us to inherit different genes. No two people have the exact same DNA, so that the police can use a person’s DNA collected to help them solve crimes by finding and eliminating suspects, similar to the use of fingerprints.
- Each of us has special features, such as how tall we are and whether or not our nose turns up at the end. Each of us has special talents, too, such as being a good listener or being kind and helpful. He has given us each a unique personality as well as natural strengths and weaknesses. He has given us unique abilities as well, such as hand-eye coordination, ability to play an instrument, artistic ability, intelligence, etc.
- When the Bible says that God made people in his image, this means that God made us like Him. We can think, solve problems, understand what’s right and wrong, and love each other. He gave us many special things to do too, like

caring for animals and fish and birds. And God gave us souls that live forever so that we can be friends with Jesus, our forever friend, and live in heaven with him someday. God made us special because he wanted us to love him.

- Remember, God put people in charge of everything else on earth. Note that this means we need to take care of those other things, like animals, fish and birds and be friendly to our environment and protect our environment when we can.
- When everyone is made after God, it means that even those people we don't like are made in God's image. Think of your least favorite person (everyone has one, unfortunately...). If you could, does it sound fun to do something unkind to that person? Well, they are made by God and in God's image, too! Shouldn't we respect God's creation?
- Pray: Dear God, thank you for making us in your image. And thank you for making us special. Help us to appreciate all the special things we see in each other. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

### Application and Group Discussion

- Why did God make human beings last? *(He made sure that everything was ready in this beautiful worldly home for humans before He created them.)*
- What does it mean to be made in God's image? *(We are like God in many ways. We can think; that we can love each other, we can take care of others)*
- Why did God make each of us unique and special? *(Each of us has different talents and we can help each other in different ways.)*
- What should we feel towards other people, who are also made in God's image? *(We should accept that even people we don't like are made in God's image, and therefore they should be respected and cared for).*

### Live it Out Challenge

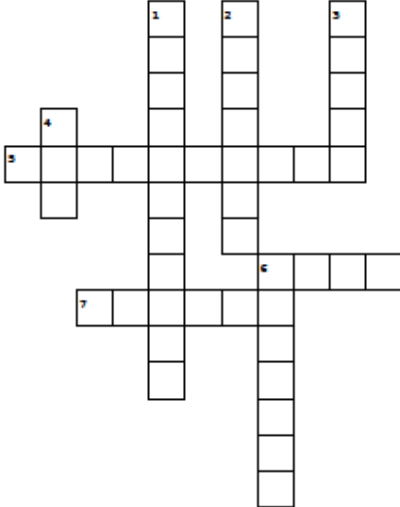
- **This week:** Two things for you to do...
- **First, thank God for who we are.** We have learned today and all people are made in God's image, and that we are all unique and different in a special way. God loves each one of us because he made us all. We should accept our own shortcomings (the things we don't do well), and appreciate the different abilities that other people have that we don't have. We should thank God and be content for what He has given us.

**Second, pray for someone who has hurt you.** Is there someone you don't like? Has anyone hurt you and make life difficult for you? Sometimes people hurt other people because they themselves are hurt. Pray for them so that they too accept who they are, made in God's image, that they can accept the differences in other people, and see the good in other people.

## Additional Learning

- This is the time where people can learn more by working on the crossword puzzle or color the picture.
- Words for the crossword puzzle:
  - Alike, DNA, Fingerprint, Gene, Genesis, Incredible, Special, Unique

# I am Incredible and I am Unique



**Down:**

1. A mark made on a surface by a person's fingertip
2. Different from and usually better than what is normal or ordinary
3. A person or thing that closely resembles another
4. the smallest part of a cell that contains the genetic code of organisms
6. The first book of the Bible

**Across:**

5. Difficult to believe; extraordinary
6. The part of a cell which carries the features passed onto someone from parents
7. The only one of its kind; unlike anything else

