

REMARKABLE

I AM UNIQUELY DESIGNED

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I am Uniquely Designed Kindergarten - 5th grade

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: Children of God- 1 John 2-3

Bottom Line: God Made Me Special

Leader Context: Today we get to celebrate that God made us to be part of His family. We can have a friendship with God because we are invited to be a part of God's family. Through Jesus we are saved from our sin. When we have a relationship with Christ, we have been saved to have life with Jesus. God made us special and wants everyone to be part of His family.

THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS: Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

Social

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Instruction Page, Game Sets, Roku Game Instruction Page

What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

Say: That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

Videos

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Bible Story Recap- Say This

God uniquely designed each one of us. He didn't just design us this way so we could be proud of ourselves. He made us special because He loves us! He loves us enough to invite us into His family! We can be a part of His family because Jesus gave up His life so that we could be rescued from our sin. When we trust and follow Jesus, we can have a relationship with Him! Once we have a relationship with God and are a part of His family, it changes us. We start to help people who need it, tell the truth because we want to do what's right, and even love people who aren't always nice to us. We will never be perfect, but that doesn't change God's amazing love for us. We can know that we are special because we are God's children. God's love for us is so great, we get to share it with others! He loved us so much, He sent Jesus to rescue us. Let's watch a video about how Jesus changes the game.

If you have questions about how you can have a relationship with Jesus, come talk to me or talk with your Team Leader. We would love to answer your questions and talk about how Jesus can be the game changer in your life.

Let's pray together. Remember prayer is listening and talking to God.

God, thank You for designing us each to be unique and special. We know that You love us and that You have a plan for us to share the love You've given us with others. Help us love with our actions, not just our words. Thank You for being a great big God who cares about each one of us. We love You. In Jesus' name, amen.

Family of Fingerprints(20 minutes)

What You Need: Family of Fingerprints Printable (1 per kid), washable ink pads, thin markers (several) baby wipes (several; optional) markers (several; optional)

What You Do:

Set out the supplies. Provide a space for kids to wash their hands after the craft. If no sink is available, provide baby wipes. If washable ink pads aren't available, use markers.

Say: "Who is ready to create something extra unique? Today, we are going to create family portraits using our fingerprints.

- One at a time, press a finger on an ink pad, then press your finger onto the paper. This fingerprint will be the first person's head for your family portrait!
- Do this as many times as people you have in your family.
- You can choose different colors or even use different size fingers for your family members—maybe use your pinky finger for your baby sister or your thumb for your dad!
- Once your fingerprints have dried, use the markers to make each fingerprint look as unique as your family members.
- Draw their bodies, special hairstyles, and eyes—even include their glasses!
- When you're finished, write God invites us to be a part of His family!

Keep It Going: *Allow kids make another family portrait of "God's family" where they can include their friends and family members who are followers of Jesus.*

I love your family portraits!! Everyone's family is so unique—like how our fingerprints are unique to each of us! Everyone, say, "I am uniquely designed!" (*I am uniquely designed!*) You are uniquely designed by the God who created the whole world and everything in it. When you look at your picture, you can remember that God made you special and sent Jesus so you can be part of His family.

Discussion Questions:

- What are some special and unique things you like about yourself? (*Give time for kids to share and share your own experiences.*)
- All of our fingerprints are special and unique, which reminds us that we are all special and unique. How can remembering this truth help you? Or help a friend? (*Allow kids time to answer.*)
- The Bible tells us that we are invited to be a part of God's family. Let's open our Bibles to 1 John 3:1 and read about it together. (*Invite kids to open up their Bibles. Read the verse aloud or invite a kid who volunteers to read the verse aloud. Be sure to have Bibles available for kids who need one. Help kids find the verse so everyone can follow along together.*) What do you think that passage is saying? (*Allow kids time to answer.*)
- What do you think is the difference between loving someone with just your words and loving someone with your actions? (*Give time for kids to share and share your own experiences.*)
- We are uniquely designed and special. We are made for a relationship with God. Our sin separates us from God, but He loved us and sent Jesus for us. Jesus changes the game! We can trust Jesus, turn away from our sin, and follow Him. Do you have any questions about how you can trust Jesus? Or anything you want to share about being a part of His family? (*Give kids a chance to ask questions and share their thoughts.*)
- What is something you learned today that could encourage friends who are wondering what is special about them? (*Give time for kids to share and share your own experiences. Point them to God's design and His invitation for them to be a part of His family. God's love makes them truly special.*) The Bible tells us that we are uniquely designed by God and that He loves us very much. He loves us so much, He sent Jesus. Jesus changes the game!

Isn't it cool to know that out of all the people in the world, no one else is just like you? You are uniquely designed by God, who loves you so much that He sent Jesus to rescue you. When you trust Jesus, you can spend forever with Him and be a part of His family! Let's share that love with others!

Going Home

Pass out the coloring pages for kids to take home. Greet families as they arrive and tell them something about their child you saw today. Say goodbye and call everyone by name.