

UPPER ELEMENTARY

FEBRUARY 2025

MONTHLY OVERVIEW

GOD VIEW:

THE CONNECTION BETWEEN UNIQUENESS AND GOD'S CHARACTER, AS SHOWN THROUGH GOD'S BIG STORY

Have you ever thought about what makes you, you? We all have different backgrounds, families, or favorite colors. We all enjoy different sports, foods, vacations, and have different friends and experiences in life. Even twins have different fingerprints! Together, all of those pieces make up who we are. But we can't understand who we are and what we were created to do without first understanding the way God sees us. Every single one of us was created in the image of God. But even as image bearers, we were created as unique. There is only one you, and this month we have the chance to explore how God can use the ways we were created to make a difference.

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BIBLE STORY

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BOTTOM LINE

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made Psalm 139:1-14 (Supporting: Genesis 1:26-28, Ephesians 2:10) God made you, knows you, and loves you.

TWO

BIBLE STORY

BOTTOM LINE

Moses and the Burning Bush Exodus 3-4:15 God made you to make a difference.

THREE

BIBLE STORY

BOTTOM LINE

Lydia Acts 16:13-15 Use your gifts to make a difference.

FOUR

BIBLE STORY

Timothy 1 Timothy 4:12

BOTTOM LINE

You can make a difference right now.

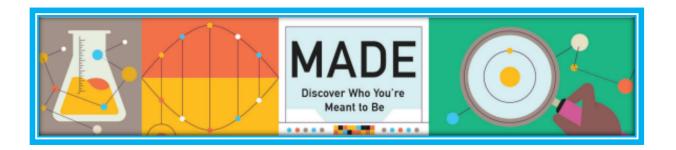
MEMORY VERSE

HOW YOU MADE ME IS AMAZING AND WONDERFUL. I PRAISE YOU FOR THAT.
WHAT YOU HAVE DONE IS WONDERFUL. I KNOW THAT VERY WELL.

PSALM 139:14, NIRV

UNIQUENESS

LEARNING MORE ABOUT YOURSELF SO YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Upper Elementary Large Group

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WEEK 1

Key Question: How would you describe yourself? If you were to ask your friends what's one word they would use to describe you, what would they say? Would you agree with them? Often times we assign labels to ourselves or think less of ourselves than others do. We hope this question will help preteens begin to look at themselves the way that God looks at them.

We start the month in Psalm 139:1-14 where King David has just written a psalm about God's love for us. Since the beginning, we were created in the image of God. God knew and formed the deepest parts of us, and as image bearers, God loves us no matter what.

Bottom Line: God made you, knows you, and loves you. Have you ever done one of those icebreaker questions that asks what is one thing no one else knows about you? You can probably think of at least one or two fairly quickly, but here's the thing: God knows us better than anyone else, including ourselves. We were created by God with so much love and care. Because of that

Bible Truth

Fearfully and Wonde14fully Made Psalm 139:1-4

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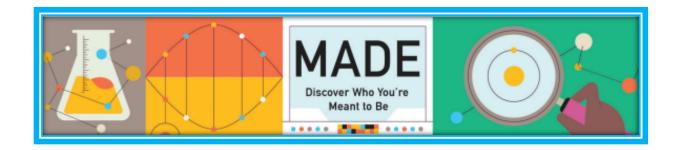
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Made - Week 1 Teaching Outline:

Start at 15 after (if service is expected to be about an hour)

- 1. Intro: Welcome kids, get them excited.
- 2. Game Time: Talent Showcase
- 3. Worship
- 4. Intro: Made
- 5. Bible Lesson Video: Fearfully and Wonderfully Made
- 6. Application
 - a. Weekly Bottom Line: God made you, knows you, and loves you.
 - b. Monthly Virtue: Uniqueness- Learning more about yourself so you can make a difference
 - c. -Memory Verse: How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I know that very well. Psalm 136:14 (NIrV)
 - d. -Prayer
- 7. Small Groups: 15 minutes

End on the hour



Upper Elementary- Large Group

FEBRUARY 2025 WFFK 1

WELCOME 3 minutes

(Welcome kids)

Hi everyone! Welcome to Flatiron Kids! I'm so excited to see you here today!

Announcements

Share campus-specific announcements -see your Kids Director for details.

I don't know about you, but I always love doing cool experiments. I love putting things together, doing science labs, and even cooking and baking! There's just something really fun about taking a bunch of ingredients and putting them together to come up with something new. "This month, we'll talk about how amazing it is that God MADE us. We'll talk about all of the different ingredients that make each of us so special and unique . . . and about how God has a good plan for each of us. We can trust God as we grow and discover who we're meant to be. In fact, [Basic Truth] we can trust God no matter what!

GAME TIME

This month, as we remember the amazing way that God made each of so special and unique, we want to give you a chance to show us! Each week, a couple of friends will have a chance to show us something special—a talent, a trick, a song...., or anything thing special that you can do!

** You can choose 2 kids before hand or ask kids raise theirs and you can choose from the group.

Allow the kids to show the group their special skill—keep track of the time!

Great job! You really are amazing! We'll have some other show us their skills next time. I know we don't have time to see everyone special talent, but I know we all have one because God uniquely made each of us.

WORSHIP 6-7 minutes

I'm so excited for us to worship God together. It's time to celebrate and give praise to the One Who made us. Get on your feet, everybody. I love it when we come together to sing and shine our light. When we show God's love to the world, it's like we're shining bright for everyone to see. This is your time to jump in and give all you've got as we worship. You can follow along to the moves or worship in your own way. Let's sing!

(Encourage kids to worship God through song and dance. Play worship songs).

Show Worship Song: More Like You

Show Worship Song: Lions

INTRO 1 minute

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I'm so excited to open God's Word with you today. This month, we're talking about how God made us . . . and how God can help us discover who we're meant to be. "That's a really big idea, and it's important for us to understand. If we know that we're made by God, that can change the way we see ourselves, others, and the world around us. Today we'll see what David had to say about that in one of his prayers from the book of Psalms. (Hold up Bible.)

Let's check out our video.

BIBLE TRUTH 10 -12 minutes

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APPLICATION 3 minutes

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I hope you'll always remember these three really important things that are true about you:

"God MADE you. God KNOWS you. And God LOVES you.

When you really believe those things about yourself, it'll change the way you live your life. It'll help you to find your purpose. It'll help you to **trust God no matter what.** And that's the very best place to start as you understand who you are and your place in the world.

Show Graphic: WK1_Bottom Line

[BOTTOM LINE] "God made you, knows you, and loves you." Say that with me. God made you, knows you, and loves you.

God didn't make you to be like someone else. God is excited about you being YOU. And it's true for everyone here in this room . . . God made you. God knows everything about you. God loves you more than you could ever imagine." God made you completely unique—on purpose! And you can discover the uniqueness that God gave you.

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Uniqueness is learning more about yourself so you can make a difference.

Remember, each of us is made in the image of God. And God loves us so much that Jesus came and gave His life for us! On the cross, Jesus paid the price for our sins—the things we've done wrong. When we put our faith in Jesus, we can have a relationship with God that will last forever. God made you completely unique and special in your own way . . . and God has a good purpose for you based on the unique way you were made.

David wrote about that in Psalm 139:14, which is our Memory Verse for this month.

Show Verse: Psalm 136:14 (NIrV)

"How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I know that very well." Psalm 136:14 (NIrV)

Let's say it together. "How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I know that very well." Psalm 136:14 (NIrV)

Show Slide: WK 1 KEY QUESTION

As you go to your groups today, think about this: "How would you describe yourself? What makes you unique? What are the qualities you have that can make a difference in the world? And if you aren't sure what makes you unique, that's totally okay. It's not always easy to discover what's unique about yourself.

You can chat about it with your Small Group or ask someone who knows you well like a parent, grandparent, family member, or teacher. As you work at discovering how God made you, remember that God made you completely unique and special in your own way. Before you head out, let's pray and thank God for making us with so much love and care and purpose. Let's pray.

PRAYER

Dear God, thank You for making us in Your image. Thank You for the way You know us so deeply and so completely. Thank You for loving us more than we could possibly imagine. This month, please help each of us to learn more about ourselves so we can make a difference in the world around us. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen.

SMALL GROUPS

Show Graphic: Small Group Dismiss kids to their small groups