

STRENGTHENING FAITH PROGRAM (SFP)

UNIT 3 – WHO AM I?

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IMAGE OF ME

UNIT 3: BIBLE HANDOUT 1

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Draw a picture of yourself. Make it as personal as possible.
Surround the image with words and phrases that describe you.

MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE

UNIT 3: BIBLE HANDOUT 2

**Humans are made in the image of God.
This means...**

<p>Read Genesis 1:27 and Genesis 5:1-3 Draw a parent and child dressed as twins. Label the parent "God" and the child with your name.</p>	<p>Read: Genesis 1:28 and Psalm 8:4-8 Draw yourself as royalty.</p>
<p>Read Genesis 2:8, 15 and Psalm 121:1-2 Draw God and you working together.</p>	<p>Read Genesis 9:5-6 and Matthew 6:26-30 Draw how much God cares for you.</p>

WHERE I'VE SEEN GOD

UNIT 3: YOUTH HANDOUT 1

I am Made in God's Image

You are made in God's image (Genesis 1:26-27). Write a short story of a time that you've reflected God's image into this world. Include as many details as you can.

God's Image is Present in Everyone I Meet

God is present in those who need support and love (Matthew 25:31-40). Write a short story of a time that you've seen God in this world. Include as many details as you can.

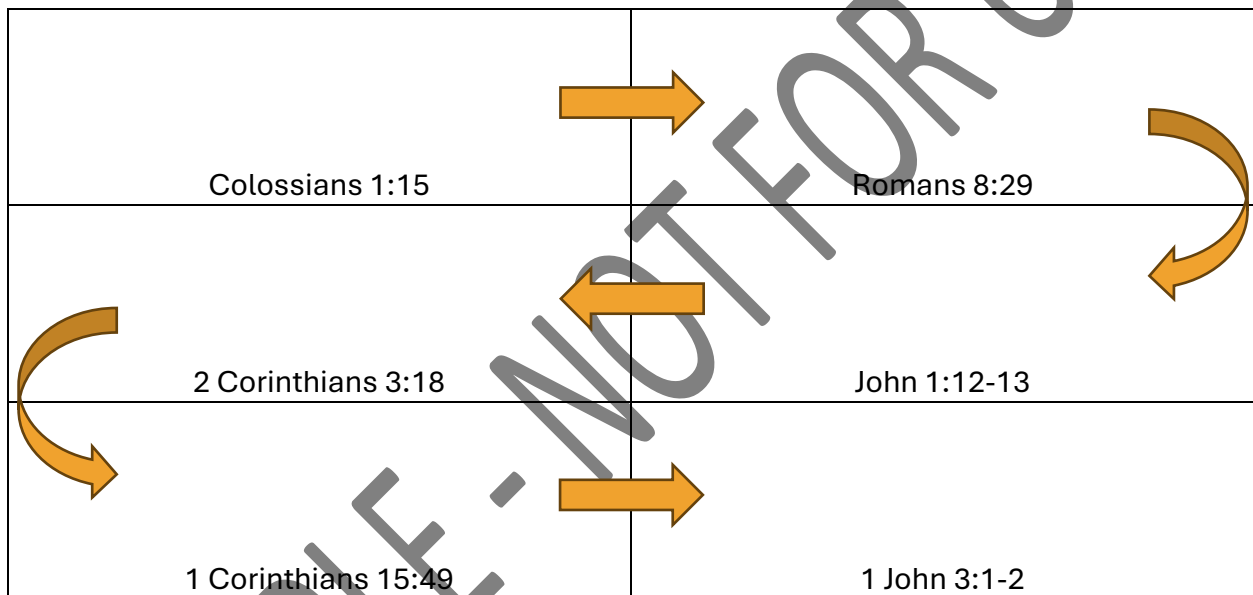
JESUS: THE IMAGE OF GOD

UNIT 3: ADULT HANDOUT 1

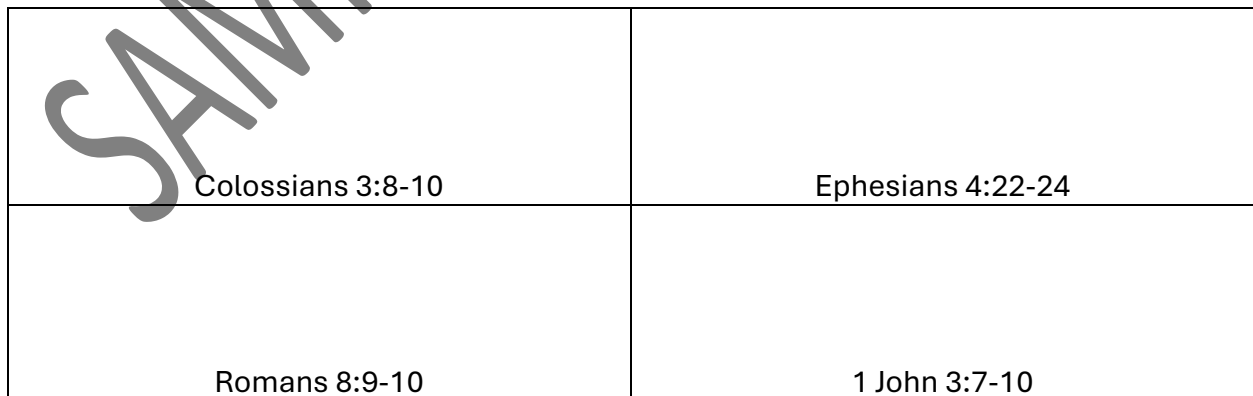
Humans are made in the image of God. (Genesis 1:27)

**However, all of us fall short of God’s glory. (Romans 3:23)
(glory mean “good image” or “great fame”)**

Jesus is the only person who is truly God’s image.















What does it mean to be transformed in Jesus’ likeness?



The grace of Christ makes this happen. (Ephesians 2:8-10)

BAPTISM: RE-FORMING US

UNIT 3: ADULT HANDOUT 2

<p>Dying and Rising</p>  <p>We die to Sin and rise with Christ (Romans 6; Colossians 2:12-13)</p>	<p>New Birth</p>  <p>We are reborn children of God, of water and the Spirit (John 3)</p>	<p>Cleansing Bath</p>  <p>God washes away our sin (1 Peter 3:21-22; Acts 22:16; Titus 3:4-8)</p>
<p>Sealed by the Spirit</p>  <p>God makes a pledge, claiming us as God's own (2 Corinthians 1:21-22; Ephesians 1:13-14)</p>	<p>New Creation</p>  <p>The old Adam is replaced by the new Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17; Colossians 1:13-14)</p>	<p>Enlightenment</p>  <p>The Holy Spirit inspires us and fills us with wisdom (Isaiah 11:2; Ephesians 5:14)</p>
<p>Saving Waters</p>  <p>Baptism save us from the Flood of Evil, giving us the Water of Life (1 Peter 3:18-22; John 4; Revelation 21:6; 22:17)</p>	<p>Clothed in Christ</p>  <p>We are clothed in Christ's forgiveness and righteousness (Galatians 3:27; Colossians 3:9-10; Revelation 7:9)</p>	<p>Adoption</p>  <p>We become children of God, part of a royal family (Ephesians 1:3-5; John 1:12-13; Galatians 3:25-29; Romans 8:14-17)</p>
<p>Grafted into Christ</p>  <p>We are connected to Jesus and find life and nourishment from this connection (John 15; Romans 11:19-23)</p>	<p>Ambassadors</p>  <p>We are a royal priesthood, ambassadors of the Gospel (1 Peter 2:9; Revelation 1:5; 2 Corinthians 5:20)</p>	<p>Temple of God</p>  <p>God and Jesus make their home in us, and with the Spirit in us we are God's holy temples (John 15; 1 Corinthians 3:16)</p>

GOD SIGHTING STORIES

UNIT 3: COMMUNITY HANDOUT 1

Your youth will read 2 stories to you.

When your youth finishes reading their first story, feel free to engage them on what you heard what you heard. You might say things like:

- I loved that story! Thanks for sharing.
- How does this story reflect God's image?
- Have you ever felt God with you at other times in your life?
- Let me tell you about another time I think you reflected God's image into the world.

When your youth finishes reading their second story, feel free to engage them on what you heard what you heard. You might say things like:

- I loved that story! Thanks for sharing.
- How does this story reflect God's image?
- Are there any other times you feel like you've noticed God's presence in others?
- Let me tell you about a time I saw God's presence in this world.

MISSION TO FIND GOD

UNIT 3: COMMUNITY HANDOUT 2

Your mission is to find God this week. God's image is being reflected everywhere, but we rarely take time to notice God's presence.

Step 1: Identify 10 Locations You Regularly Visit Throughout the Week.

Step 2: For Each Location, Identify Multiple Ways God Might Potentially Show Up.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

Step 3: Highlight Specific Ideas:

- Youth: In blue, select 2 ideas that you could focus on watching for this week.
- Adult: In red, select 2 ideas that you could focus on watching for this week.
- Community: In green, select 1 that you can focus on together.

WHERE HAVE YOU SEEN GOD?

UNIT 3: TAKEHOME 1

God Above Shows Up In...

Love

Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. 1 John 4:12,16

Prayer and Peace

By prayer and thanksgiving bring your requests to God. And the peace of God will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philipians 4:6-7

Abundant Life and Joy

You make known to me the path of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand. Psalm 16:11

Good Guidance

The LORD is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He guides me along the right paths. Psalm 23:1,3

Where have you seen God?

When have you seen someone show unexpected love?

When have you felt peace in a difficult moment?

When are you full of joy and happiness?

When have you felt led to surprisingly good places?

WHERE HAVE YOU SEEN GOD?

UNIT 3: TAKEHOME 2

Jesus Shows Up In...

Helping Others

Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me. And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones who is my disciple, truly I tell you, that person will certainly not lose their reward.

Matthew 10:40,42

Making Peace

Where two or three gather in my name to fix a problem, there am I with them.

Matthew 18:20

Welcoming Others

Whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

Matthew 18:4-5

Those with Needs

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these siblings of mine, you did for me. Matthew 25:40

Where have you seen Jesus?

When have you seen someone helping others?

What has helped you find peace after an argument?

When have you seen someone being included?

Where have you seen people in need?

WHERE HAVE YOU SEEN GOD?

UNIT 3: TAKEHOME 3

The Holy Spirit Shows Up In...

Wisdom

The Spirit is the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord. Isaiah 11:2

Giving Us Help

The Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. Romans 8:26

Self-Care

Your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. Therefore honor God with your bodies. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Gifts

The gifts of the Spirit are given to each for the common good. 1 Corinthians 12:7

Sorry and Forgiveness

Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Acts 2:38

Christian Community

We were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body. There are many parts, but one body. 1 Corinthians 12:13,20

Where have you seen the Holy Spirit?

When have you been told something very helpful?

When have you felt cared for and loved?

When have you said sorry or given forgiveness?

When have you received help from others?

What gifts do you have that bring others blessings?

Where do you find supportive community?