

Hello Second and Third Grade Parents!

Here is everything you need for your family HCKids at home activities. Just follow the directions on the Parent Guide (next page) for any of the things you and your child(ren) are interested in doing. Also included in this document is the link to the Bible Video, this month's theme song and "God Time" pages to do throughout the week.

YOUR CHILD WILL EARN 3 POINTS TO SPEND AT THE STORE FOR EACH COMPLETED ACTIVITY AND 10 POINTS FOR A COMPLETED "GOD TIME"

~ PLEASE EMAIL ME POINTS EARNED EACH WEEK ~

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If you prefer, you are welcome to pick up hard copies of each week's lesson that are similar to here but printed for your convenience. They are recycled each Thursday (late afternoon) and are located outside the front entrance of church.

Praying you all are well, safe, growing in faith, and having fun during our time apart! Please reach out if you need anything at all.

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FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, WE ARE STUDYING:



THIS MONTH'S MEMORY VERSE:



TODAY'S BOTTOM LINE:



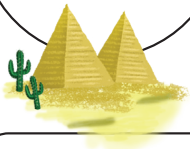
WEEK OF
August 16, 2020

Indescribable: Your Creator has No Limits

PARENT GUIDE
Elementary

Use this guide to help your family learn how
God made us to be creative.

First, watch
this week's
video!



Creativity:
Imagining what
you could do
because you
were made in
God's image.

Memory Verse

"Lord, you are
great. You are really
worthy of praise.
No one can
completely
understand how
great you are."
Psalm 145:3, NIV

Bible Story

Esther
(Esther)

Bottom Line

God created you
for a purpose.

Activity

Hunting Helpers

What You Need

Index cards or strips of paper, and something to write with

What You Do

Write the following words on index cards or strips of paper: Organized, musical, athletic, a nurse, kind, a chef, an animal lover, a nature lover, a teacher, a builder, an actor, a good listener, [your child's name]

Mix up the cards and tell your child that it's time to play a game. Say, "I'll give you a situation that needs a helper. You get to choose the best helper for each situation from this stack of cards. Most have more than one answer! You can choose as many cards as you want. Ready?"

- The jump ropes used for gym class are all tangled. Who can help? Someone who is...
- It's time for the Christmas play. The director needs help with creating the set and the costumes. Who can help? Someone who is...
- A kid on the soccer team struggles with getting the ball to where it's supposed to go. Who can help? Someone who is...
- The animal shelter needs someone to walk the dogs. Who can help? Someone who is...
- There's a bake sale to raise money for the youth group's mission trip. Who can help? Someone who is...
- Two friends are having an argument. Who can help them make peace? Someone who is...
- Somebody on the playground fell, and they seem hurt. Who can help? Someone who is...

Feel free to add in scenarios of your own. Think through things that you need help with around the house, and ask who could help in those situations.

Talk about the Bible Story

What does the word "purpose" mean? (*Something you're meant for.*) What do you think was one of Esther's purposes in life? (*To save the Jewish people.*) What skills or talents did Esther use to fulfill her purpose? (*She was brave, she was patient, she spoke well.*)

In our activity today, we talked about the qualities that make people helpful. What is one quality or skill God gave you that makes you helpful?

Did you know that when you help someone, or show someone kindness, you are fulfilling part of God's purpose for your life? God created you to do big, incredible, awesome things. Just like Esther, God created you for a purpose.

Prayer

Use this prayer as a guide, either after talking about the Bible story or sometime before bed tonight:

"God, thank You for creating us so creatively. You choose the color of our eyes, our skin, and our hair. You decided what our handwriting would look like, and whether or not we'd be good at music, sports, video games, or art. And you chose every detail on purpose, FOR a purpose. Thank You for making me with a purpose. Thank You for creating me to do BIG things for others and for You. I love You. Amen."

THIS MONTH'S THEME SONG "WIRED" Written by: Casey Darnell ©2016 Amber Sky Records, a division of The reThink Group, Inc.

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Wired

Are you ready?
Help me sing it now –
1,2,3, let's go

Verse

I was made
To do amazing things
I know, I know
I was made
To be His hands and feet
I know, I know

Pre-Chorus

God made me to shine
Makes me come alive
Makes me want to live my life for Him
God made me to shine
Makes me come alive
Makes me want to live my life

Chorus

I wanna dance, dance, dance
Dance all around
I wanna jump, jump, jump and sing out loud
Because the light I've found I just cant hide it now
I wanna shout it out to the world that
God made me; (yeah) And I'm unique (yeah)

Verse

I wanna go wherever
He will lead – I will go, I will go
Imagine all the possibilities
Oh I know, I know

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Bridge (x2)

I am wired and wonderfully made
My desire: to sing His praise
Shout it louder
That I believe
God made me to shine

Pre-Chorus

Chorus

Creativity is imagining what you could do because you were made in God's image.

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DAY 1

Read Esther 4:14

You know the story of Goldilocks and three bears? Goldilocks kept looking for the bowl of porridge and the comfy chair and bed that was “just right.” That phrase, “just right” inspired scientists to name the spot where earth is perfectly placed as the Goldilocks Zone or Habitable Zone. If our earth were any closer to the sun, we’d all burn to a crisp and if it were any further away, our planet would turn into one giant snowball.

But it's not just planets. **God places people perfectly too.** Think about Esther. When Haman plotted to have her own people killed, her cousin Mordecai spoke these words, “It’s possible that you became queen for a time just like this.” We know the rest of the story. Esther courageously spoke the truth and saved her people.

God made you and there is no one in the world (or in the history of people) exactly like you. That means that God has a unique and important purpose for your life. Just as He placed Esther in exactly the right time and place “for a time just like this” God created and who you are is “just right.”

DAY 2

Read Jeremiah 29:11

Do you like to cook or bake? In order to create something tasty, it's best to follow a recipe. It is possible to grab some ingredients and to throw them in a pan without a plan. But the end result probably wouldn't be as yummy.

Having a plan is a good thing. And guess what? According to Jeremiah, God has a plan for your life. His plans for you are good. Plans for you to succeed and keep you from harm.

You might be thinking, “Awesome! Where can I look up this step by step plan?”

Fortunately, God's plans for you are bigger and better than any recipe. He loves you and He wants you to trust Him, day by day to show you all the amazing things He has in store for you. God created you for a purpose, which means there is something you and only you can do.

Ask your mom or dad if you can help with dinner tonight. Pick out a favorite recipe to follow together. Then read today's verse aloud and pray together as you gather around the table, thanking God for the good plans and purpose He has for you!

*God created you
for a purpose.*

PARENT CUE

DAY 3

Read Deuteronomy 31:8

When you look up into the night sky, it really does seem like it's a galaxy far, far away. But technically, space begins where earth's atmosphere ends. Scientists call this the Karman Line. Scientists differ on exactly where this line falls (most say 62 miles, but some, including NASA scientists place it 50 miles from sea level). Either way, if we had a super space highway, you could technically drive a car straight up and be in space within an hour or so!

Even though space seems so far away, it's really not. Sometimes God can feel very far away too. But even in the scary and uncertain times, God is still in charge. He is with you, even when He seems far away. He created you for a purpose and He loves you. God is by your side, every day and nothing can separate you from Him.

Grab a piece of paper and write down three things you're worried about. Ask Him to remind you that He goes ahead of you and that He is with you. Thank Him for creating you for a purpose and ask Him to show you each day how you can follow him.

If you're interested in learning more about how God's creation is in relation with the world around us, check out "How Great Is Our God" by Louie Giglio.

DAY 4

Read Proverbs 19:21

Have you ever made a plan that didn't go the way you thought it would? Maybe you planned to go to the pool on your last day of summer break, only to wake up to rain outside the window. Maybe you planned to play with your best friend but he's sick.

Plans aren't bad. In fact, it's good to have a plan so you can get more done. But when it comes to your future, we shouldn't hold on to our own ideas so tightly. Because God made you for a purpose.

As you grow, you'll discover God's big purpose for you. That's why it's so important to trust God and walk with Him day by day. **He made you and He has BIG things in store.**

As you pray tonight before going to sleep, spend some time thanking God for the day that's passed. As you think about tomorrow, open your palm out flat (instead of a closed-up fist) and say, "God I know you have a plan for me. I don't want to miss it. Thanks for loving me and creating me with a purpose. In Jesus' name, amen."

