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### DO IT - WEEKLY ACTIVITY

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WEEK ONE

### LIMITLESS CREATIVITY

#### WHAT YOU NEED: "Creation Category Cards"

#### WHAT YOU DO :

- This is a great activity to play with the whole family!
- How to play:
  - Start with the first category and allow each player to take turns sharing their example with the group.
  - They must provide an example that matches no one else's example for that category to get a point.
  - The player with the most points wins.

#### READ THIS:

"When we look at the world, we see that God is creative. God didn't make just one slimy thing. He didn't make the world one color. He made so many different things that we can't even count them all. There's no limit to God's creativity. God's creativity doesn't end with the world He made either. God's creativity shines through you. God made you in His image. God made you to think, feel, and act just a bit like Him. Imagine what you could do because you're made in His image."





- 1. What is your favorite thing God created? (Ex. mountains, oceans, stars, etc.)
- 2. What's something in the world that reminds you of God's creativity?







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### **BAG OF GOOD WORKS**

#### WHAT YOU NEED: "Bag of Good Works" (Activity Page) cards

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Pick a card out of the bag.
- Brainstorm a few ways the item could be used to creatively love God and love others.
- Brainstorm an idea of something you could do this week.
  - Optional: To make it a competition and get the whole family involved, hold up an item or card, and the first person to jump up gets an opportunity to suggest a way the item could be used to creatively love God and others. Award a point to each person that provides a "reasonable" way to use the item to do good works.

#### READ THIS:

"Since we are made in God's image, each of us reflects a bit of God and God's creativity. It is important to remember God created you, so you can be creative, too. Figuring out what you are good at doing is a great way to discover how you can creatively help others. How can we can figure out what we are good at? (Ask someone. Try different things. Ask God. Think about what you enjoy doing.) There are so many ways you can use your creativity to do good works and help others. If you like to build things, you could use your creativity to build a tool box for a friend or build a fort for your brother. If you enjoy baking cupcakes, you could use your creativity to bake treats for someone or for a new neighbor. Maybe, you enjoy rap music or poetry and could use your creativity to write something praising God, then share it with your family. God made each of us to do good works to help others out."





- 1. What is something that is different about you than some of your friends/coworkers? What makes that special?
- 2. Why is it important to know that God created you?









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### WHO CAN HELP?

# WHAT YOU NEED: Index cards, Scenario Cards and something to write with

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Gather your family.
- Give everyone an index card to brainstorm a word that describes themselves. For example: funny, kind, athletic, musical, artistic, encouraging, good listener, organized, writer, storyteller, actor, builder, teacher, nature lover, patient, or animal lover. Try not to make duplicates.
- After you finish making the cards, lay them face up in the center of the circle.
- As you read a scenario from the list, instruct your family to mentally select a card that describes someone who could help in the scenario.
- Make sure to let everyone know there will probably be several possible answers for each scenario.
- On the count of three, each family member can slap the card they mentally selected.
- Choose someone to share why they chose the descriptions they did and how someone who has that characteristic could help in the given situation.





#### READ THIS TOGETHER:

"Figuring out your purpose can take some time. Esther didn't know her purpose as queen right away, but it eventually became clear to her. Recognizing what you like to do and what you are good at can help you discover God's purpose for you. Maybe, you're a good listener and you see an opportunity to listen to a friend who is sad and needs to talk. If you're funny and a great storyteller, you might see opportunities to make people around you smile. God created you for a purpose. Keeping your eyes open for problems that you have the skills or ideas to solve can help find your purpose. Being aware of the people around you who may need the kind of help you can offer can help you figure out your purpose."



- 1. What's one gift/talent God has given to you?
- 2. What does the following statement mean to you? "Everyone was made to do something . . . and whatever that something is, no one can do it quite like you."











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### HELP!

# WHAT YOU NEED: Oven mitt, collection of various objects to use with the oven mitt

#### WHAT YOU DO :

- Gather your family.
- Set the objects in the center of the circle.
- Pick one family member to go first and give them the oven mitt.
- Challenge each person to do tasks while wearing the mitts on their hands. Tasks can include:
  - Looking up the memory verse, Psalm 145:3
  - Cutting a circle out of paper
  - Removing a cap from a marker and writing their name
  - Picking up a piece of card stock from a flat surface
  - Unwrapping a piece of hard candy
  - Spinning a penny on a hard surface
- While they are doing the tasks, review the Bible story. Add to the following discussion:
  - When the friends arrived where Jesus was speaking, why couldn't they see Jesus?
  - How did they work together to creatively solve the problem?
  - What could have happened if the four friends didn't work together?
  - How did Jesus heal the paralyzed man? (Besides allowing the man to walk again, talk about how Jesus healed him by forgiving his sins.)





#### READ THIS:

"Imagine what it would have been like to be the paralyzed man in the story. Using scissors or flipping through a book are typically simple tasks, but for the paralyzed man, even the simplest task was difficult and often impossible. There is no way he could have seen Jesus without his friends. Remember, God created you to work with others. Just like the four friends in our story, you can do so much more with others than you could alone. We are made in the image of God, and each of us reflects just a little bit of God to the world around us. When we decide to work with others, we reflect even more of who God is to the world."



- 1. Tell me about a time you worked together with friends to get a task done or to help someone in need.
- 2. When did you have a hard time working with others? What did you do when that happened?









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### PRAYER TIME

#### WHAT YOU NEED: LED candle

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Gather the family.
- Ask your family:
- Who first told you about God's story? When was the first time you remember hearing about Jesus?
- Can you give an example of when you might talk about Jesus with your family? What about your friends?
- Pass the candle around the circle.
- When the candle gets to them, ask each family member to thank God for someone in their life who shared His story with them, then pass the candle to the next member of your family.
- Encourage everyone to be specific.
- Thank You for Grandma Hattie.
- Thank You for our church.
- Thank You for this group.

#### Close in prayer

#### **READ THIS:**

"God, You are GREAT! We want to shine our light so others can see how creative You are. We want the way we act and the words we use to make others want to know more about You. Help us see opportunities to share Your story with the people in our lives. In Jesus' name, amen!"





1. Have you ever worried what will happen if we tell people about Jesus? How did you overcome your fears?

