

BOTTOM LINE: I am God's image-bearer.

MATERIALS NEEDED

- Bibles
- Student Notebooks
- Whiteboard & Marker (provided)
- Mirrors (provided)
- Sharpie (provided)

optional icebreaker: self-portraits

- **DO THIS:** Tell your students to open their **Student Notebooks** to a blank page. Then, give them two minutes to draw a self-portrait. Tell them to make their self-portrait as accurate as they can. After the two minutes are up, have your students show their portraits to the rest of the group.
- **ASK:** *How accurately would you say your self-portrait captured your image?*
- **ASK:** *If someone saw your portrait, would they be able to tell that it's you?*

hear from God through His word.

DO THIS: Read **Genesis 1:26-27** and then lead your group in a discussion about what it means to be made in the image of God using the questions below.

- Tell your students to open their Bibles to **Genesis 1:26-27** and then have someone read it out loud for the group.
- **ASK:** *What do you think it means to be made "in the image of God?"*

DO THIS: Assign each of the four verses below to four different students to look up in their Bibles and then read out loud. Tell your students to write down the different characteristics of God they hear from these verses in their **Student Notebooks**.

Exodus 34:6

Psalms 34:8

Deuteronomy 32:4

1 John 4:8

- After each of the verses have been read, have your students share the characteristics of God they heard and write them on the **whiteboard** from your tub.
- **ASK:** *Which of these characteristics of God have you personally experienced in your life? Tell us about it.*
- **ASK:** *Why is it important for us to know these different characteristics of God?*



talk with others about our faith.

DO THIS: Lead your group in a discussion about their identity using the questions below.

- **ASK:** *What does identity mean? What does it mean to have an identity?*
- **ASK:** *If you had to describe your identity, how would you describe it?*

DO THIS: Read through the list of the characteristics of God on your **whiteboard** again and then ask your students the questions below.

- **ASK:** *Which of God's characteristics do you think people see reflected in you the most? Why?*
- **ASK:** *Which of God's characteristics do you want to reflect more in your life? Why?*

say this:
We are made in God's image, which means He has hard-wired some of His characteristics into us. These godly characteristics are the best parts of us and a core part of who we are.

live in a way that honors God.

DO THIS: Give your students the following **LIVE** challenges for this week:



- Give each student a **Mirror** from your series kit. Tell them to choose two characteristics of God (from the **HEAR** section) they want to practice reflecting this week and then write them on their mirrors using a **sharpie**. Encourage them to look in their mirror every day this week to be reminded that they are made in the image of God.
- Memorize **Genesis 1:27** this week.

pray by talking to God.

DO THIS: Lead your students in a time of praying with partners.

- Divide your students into pairs and tell each pair to spend a minute praying for each other and the characteristics they wrote on their mirror they would like to practice reflecting this week.



memory verse

"So God created human beings in His own image. In the image of God He created them; male and female He created them."

Genesis 1:27