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MEMORY VERSE

“I am wonderfully made”

Psalm 139:14, NIV

BOTTOM LINE

God loves everything about me

WEEK 1

PSALM 139:13-15A, JEREMIAH 1:5

God made people and that makes us special.

WEEK 3

JEREMIAH 29:11, EPHESIANS 2:10

God’s plan for people is to do good things.

WEEK 2

PSALM 47:1, 86:11; PROVERBS 4:11-12, 20-22; PROVERBS 20:11-12; ACTS 9:36; ACTS 20:35

God made people able to do many wonderful things.

WEEK 4

PSALM 1-2, 34:1, 110:171-175, PSALM 150

God made people to praise Him.

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PLAY TIME: This is a great time of year to go outside and take a good long look at all that God has made. Look at the different colors of leaves. Search for the perfect pumpkin or fill a basket with lots of yummy apples. Crunch some sticks and leaves with your feet. Make a pile of leaves with your hands. Encourage your little one to LOOK with the EYES God made for him, SMELL with his NOSE and TOUCH with his HANDS. Remind your child, as you explore, that out of everything God made, He loves people the most!



CAR TIME: Grab a favorite preschool worship CD or try a new one. One of the things God made people to do is praise Him. We can praise God by singing songs to Him. Spend some time singing to God together as you drive from here to there. Praising God will make car time a wonderful time!



BATH TIME: Bath time is the perfect time to teach your child about how he was made. As you bathe your child's little arms, tell him, God made your arms. Count his 10 little toes as you soap them up and tell him, God made your toes. After you're finished with the bath, hold him up to the mirror and tell him, God made your hair, as you make it stand straight up. That should get a smile. Oh, and that smile, God made that too! God made you and He loves everything about you.



PARENT TIME: Does your child believe he is wonderfully made? Do you? Psalm 139:14 says that you are. The Bible says that you (and your child) are wonderfully made by God, Himself. God made you and He loves you. Do you take the time to talk about that in your home? Is living that a part of your normal routine? Or are you too busy?

Nothing is more important than creating a firm spiritual foundation for your child. Nothing. Not soccer practice. Not dance class. Not playgroup. While all of these things are wonderful activities for your child, if they are taking time away from what really matters, your relationship with your child and his relationship with his heavenly Father, then they need to come off the to-do list. They need to be on the "to-don't" list.

This month, Carey Nieuwhof shares his family's "to-don't" list with you and tells you how to create your own. Don't miss this amazing podcast over at www.OrangeParents.org.



CUDDLE TIME: Cuddle up with your child and pray with him. "Dear God, thank You for making [name of child]. Thank You for making me his mommy/daddy. I love [name of child] so much. I know You love him even more! We praise You, God, for Your amazing love. It is so amazing that You love everything about us. Thank You, God, for making us and loving us. Amen."

