

Twinkles Doing Church Differently

Week 2 - God Made Me Special

The aim of this session is to teach the children that God made us and knows us and that we are special and important to Him.

For this session you will need: a mirror, paper and paints.

Message/Story time:

Briefly recap what we learnt last week - that God loves us no matter what.

Take it in turns to say your name and your favourite colour. Then take it in turns to say your favourite animal. Finally take it in turns to say your favourite thing to do.

Explain that God made each of us special. We are all different and God knows all of these things about us. He knows our names and all of our favourites. We are all different and we are all special to God.

Look at the pictures of different 'special people' below (doctor, fireman etc) and ask the children why each of these people is special.

Then hold up a mirror so the children can see themselves. Ask why these people are special.

We are special because God made each of us and loves each of us and knows everything about each of us.

He made our arms, legs, heads etc (get the children to move each part of their body so they can see themselves in the mirror).

Finally, ask the children to look very carefully at their fingertips. Explain that everyone has a different special pattern on their finger, nobody else has the same one. God designed and knows the pattern on our finger. He made each of us different and special.

Prayer time:

This week you could pray in a few different ways:

1. We all like different things, we are all good at different things. God knows all of the things we like and all of the things we are good at. Draw pictures of all of the things we each like. Pray and thank God for all of these things and for making us each special.
2. Take it in turns to think of someone we love and thank God for making them just how they are.
3. Use this action prayer:

You know who I am.
(Point to the sky and then yourself.)

You know when I sit,
(Everyone sit down.)

You know when I stand.
(Everyone stand up.)

You know what I think.
(Point to your head.)

You know where I go.
(Run in place.)

You even know when I lie down low.
(Mimic sleeping.)

You know all that I do.
(Spread both hands out wide.)

You know all that I say.
(Push out hands from chin.)

Thank you that you made me and love me!
(Point to sky and wrap arms around self in hug.)

Worship time: An oldie but goodie and sums up our theme for this week well: If I were a butterfly!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h23spxw0Vt8>

Craft time: Finger painting! Use the special pattern on your fingertips to make some pictures to remind you that God made you special!

If you don't have paint or don't fancy getting messy then you could draw around your hands and decorate or use playdough to make models of yourselves.

