



Individuality is discovering who you're meant to be so you can make a difference.

DAY 1

Read Hebrews 13:16

God made you wonderfully on purpose to help others know about and follow Jesus. He doesn't expect you to do this perfectly but He does want you to try. **When you choose to "do good" to others, you can make a difference right where you are, right now.**

Grab a piece of paper. Fold it in half, then in half again, then in half again and then in half one more time. Open the page to reveal sixteen boxes. Inside each box, write one way you could "do good" to make a difference this week. As you complete each one, draw a big check mark across that box. Can you complete your "do good" list by the end of the week?

DAY 2

Read 1 Peter 4:10

Do God has given you specific gifts – not gifts that are wrapped up with a bow – but gifts like talents and abilities. He gave you those gifts so that you would use them to make a difference. **The way God made you is so very special.** There are things that you can do that no one else can.

As a kid, you're just beginning to discover the unique and special qualities that make you, you! Maybe your friends and family have started to notice them too.

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**"Interview" someone who knows you well by asking these questions:**

1. What do you think I'm good at? What do I love to do?
2. How do you think I could use that gift or ability to make a difference?

## Read 1 Timothy 4:12

Today's verse is from a letter Paul wrote to Timothy. Though Timothy was a young man, Paul was impressed by his faith. Paul wrote these words to encourage Timothy to keep going, to keep telling people about Jesus.

Just like Timothy, you are just the right age to start helping others know about Jesus! In fact, you might even be better than some of the adults around you – especially when it comes to helping other kids your age follow Jesus! You are the best person to invite someone your age to church, to tell them your favorite story from the Bible or to notice when they need help (sometimes, even before an adult might notice). So don't worry about your age. Because God can use you to make a difference right now.

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1. What are some things you are too young to do?
  2. Does God think you are "too young" to do things for Him? Why or why not?

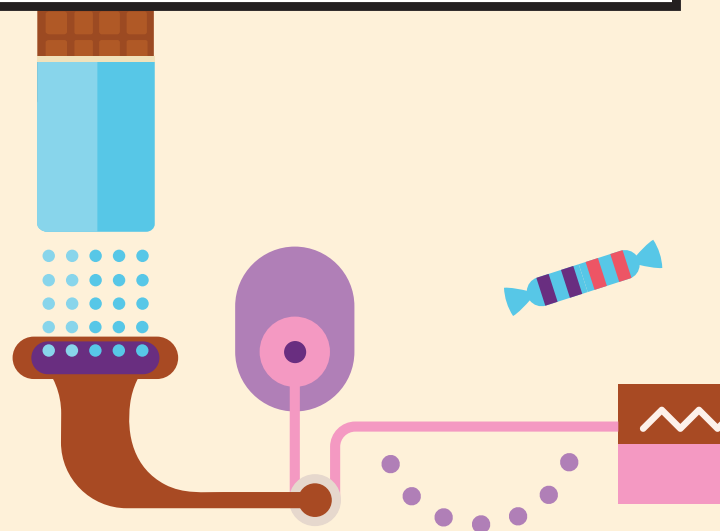
## Read Galatians 6:4

In your language arts class at school, have you ever been asked to read two different passages to find their similarities and their differences? This is usually called "compare and contrast."

Comparing stories is a great way to practice your reading. But comparison is not so great when it comes to people! **God wants you to learn to be content with the awesome way He made you.** If you spend all your time wishing you were like someone else, you might miss something awesome God has for you. Because God made you to make a difference right now.

Do you compare yourself to a sibling at home or a friend at school? Write that person's name on a piece of paper. Then pray and thank God for the unique and wonderful way He made them. On the opposite side of the paper, write your name. Pray and thank God for the awesome way He made you and ask Him to show you how to use your unique gifts and abilities to make a difference right now.

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a difference right now.



Use this guide to help your family learn what God has to say about individuality.



First, watch  
this week's  
video!

**Individuality:  
Discovering  
who you're  
meant to be so  
you can make  
a difference**

### Memory Verse

How you made me is amazing and wonderful. I praise you for that. What you have done is wonderful. I know that very well.  
Psalm 139:14, NIV

### Bible Story

Timothy  
1 Timothy 4:12  
(supporting: Acts 14-17; 1 Timothy 4:14; 1 Corinthians 4:17; 16:10)

### Bottom Line

You can make a difference right now.

## Activity

### Can or Can't?

#### What You Need:

Towel

#### What You Do:

Roll a towel into a skinny line. Have your child stand at the end of the towel. Choose one side to be the "Yes, I can side." Choose the other side to be the "No, I can't" side. Read out the following list of situations and have your child jump from side to side, indicating whether or not it's a task they can do at their current age.

- ride a bike
- drive a car
- tie your shoes
- have a tablet
- have a phone
- order a kid's meal at a restaurant
- order from the adult menu at a restaurant stay up later on weekends
- stay up as late as you want, whenever you want
- pack your own lunch
- have candy without asking an adult stay home alone for an hour
- stay home alone overnight
- ride your bike to a friend's house
- go to school
- get a job



## Talk About the Bible Story

What were Timothy's gifts and how did he use them? (*Speaking, teaching, encouraging others; he helped others know who Jesus is*)

You may not be able to do all the things you want to do right now. But there are some things you can do to help others. What are some ways that you can help others right now?

How can you make a difference at home? (*Not fighting with siblings, helping with chores, helping younger siblings with homework, drawing pictures or making something for someone who's stressed*)

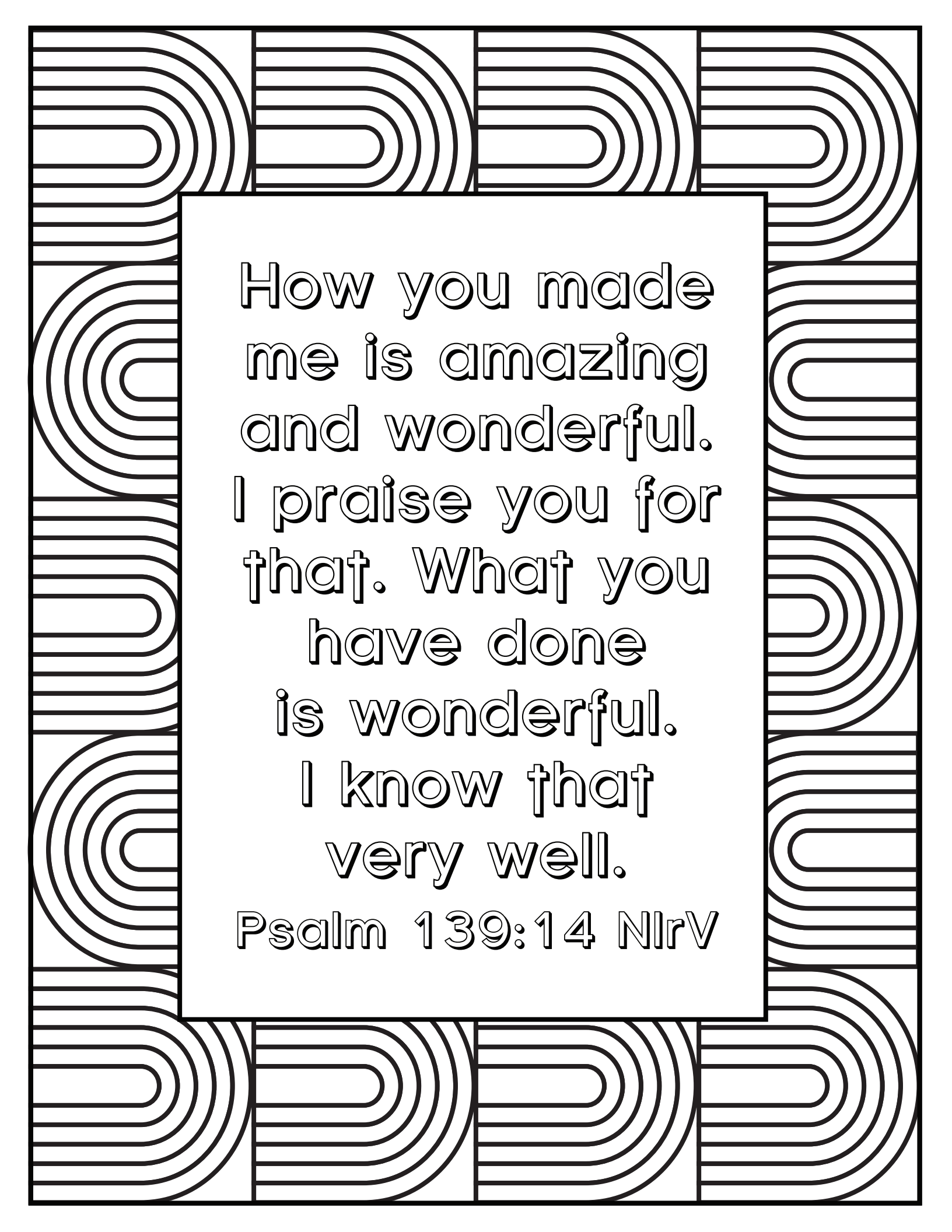
How can you make a difference at school? (*Don't join the class in bad behavior when the teacher steps out, help others with hard work, be patient and kind, don't hog the ball at gym or recess, use encouraging words, etc.*)

Make a list of a few ways your child can help at school and home this week.

## Prayer

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

"Dear God, thank You for making us with our own individuality and our own special gifts. Thank You for giving us opportunities to love and serve others, even when we're young. Please show us the ways we can make a difference this week. We love You, and we pray these things in Jesus' name. Amen."



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# OCTOBER 24 - WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally,  
backwards & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

**EXAMPLE**

**FAITH**

**GOD**

**IDENTITY**

**IMAGE**

**JESUS**

**KINGDOM**

**LOVE**

**PRAISE**

**PURITY**