

grow at home

Imago Dei Discussion Guide

In Middle School and High School, you begin to really notice the differences in physical appearance as well as cultural practices that your classmates and friends may have that are different than yours. Many times, we can feel uneasy about these differences, as we may not always know how to approach them in conversations with others. The truth of these characteristics is that we are all still made in the image of God, or, Imago Dei. Due to people having their own “truths” opposed to the truth that everyone is created in the image of God, we hear about events that take place in our world that seem to divide our country. Since there are people in the world that don’t use scripture as their main reference point, there is a conflict that divides us. We’ve seen it time and time again on social media, the news, and we’ve heard about it in school. Navigating these waters in middle/high school can be tricky, especially when you may not know what’s appropriate to say or when it’s appropriate to say it. What’s important is to remember that everyone, even those that look different than you, were made in God’s image. We don’t want you to simply accept people from other races... we want you to see the beauty in them. We want you to see that God hand-crafted those people and made those people in His image.



- ▶ Psalm 139:13-16
- ▶ Genesis 1:26-27
- ▶ Genesis 2:7
- ▶ Genesis 9:6



Discussion
Questions

- ▶ What does it mean to be “fearfully and wonderfully made?” (Psalm 139:13-16)
- ▶ What are some of the things you appreciate about how God made you?
- ▶ Are there times where we may wonder if we were actually made in the image of God?
- ▶ What is the difference between “unity” and “uniformity?”
- ▶ Where do you see uniformity in your middle school/high school? How about unity?
- ▶ Instead of seeing people’s physical appearances as different, how can we instead focus on them being made in the image of God?