



Family Devotional #4 – Made In His Image

Adapted from *The New City Catechism* (find out more here
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Big Truth:

Q: How and why did God create us?

A: God created us male and female in his own image to know him, love him, live with him, and glorify him. And it is right that we who were created by God should live to his glory.

Bible Focus:

*"So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them."*

— Genesis 1:27

Let's Think About It:

From the very beginning, God made people different from everything else in creation. Trees and stars are beautiful. Animals are amazing. But only **people** were made in **God's image**.

That means we were made to reflect what God is like—His love, His goodness, His creativity, His justice, and more. We were made to **know Him, live with Him, and show Him** to the world.

Here's something kind of ironic: People have always wanted to make statues and carvings to represent their gods—little wooden idols to bow down to. But the true God already made His image—**us**! That's why we don't worship images. We were made to **be** the image and to worship **God**, not ourselves.

And notice something important: God made us **male and female**. That wasn't a random accident or a decision left up to us. It was God's idea, His good design. He didn't just choose our gender—He chose our eye color, our freckles, our voice, our gifts, even how tall we'd grow. He knit us together like an artist making a masterpiece.

Sometimes we may wish we were different—less awkward, taller, a better athlete, maybe even a different gender. But God doesn't make mistakes. He made each of us on purpose and for a purpose: **to glorify Him**.

You are not a random collection of parts. You are **fearfully and wonderfully made** in the image of the living God. Not to worship yourself, but to shine for Him.



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Family Discussion:

Take turns answering these questions together:

- What do you think it means to be “made in the image of God”?
- Have you ever wished something about yourself was different? What helps you trust God’s design?
- Why is it important that God made us male and female on purpose?
- How can we glorify God with the way He made us?

Try This Together!

Object Lesson – “The Mirror Challenge”

Grab a hand mirror. Ask: “What does a mirror do?” (It reflects!) Then say: “God made us to reflect Him—like mirrors showing His goodness, truth, and love.”

Look into the mirror and say – I was made to reflect God!

Finish by taking a family selfie while saying together: “We were made to reflect God and glorify Him!”

Closing Prayer:

One person can pray, or take turns saying parts aloud: *“God, thank You for making us in Your image. Thank You for choosing every part of who we are—even when we don’t always understand it. Help us not to worship ourselves, but to worship You and reflect Your glory in everything we do. Amen.”*