Image Bearer – Week 2

Middle School Ministry Teaching Guide

BIG IDEA

God made you to partner with Him in making the world better, not adding to the chaos but bringing peace.

BIBLE

Genesis 1:26-31; Revelation 21; Matthew 5:9

ABOUT THIS WEEK

God didn't just make you to exist—He made you to build, serve, and bring peace to the chaos around you. You're invited to join His mission of restoring what's broken in the world. Your everyday choices can help bring heaven to earth.

WHAT?	 It's easy to make a mess. It's harder (yet more meaningful) to bring peace to order. Believe it or not, God made you to do just that – to help make the world better, not more chaotic. In Genesis 1:26-31 we see that God has given humanity a job since the beginning of time: to care for His world, create things, and bring good out of the raw materials He made. You were made to build and restore, not just sit back and consume. In Matthew 5:9, Jesus calls us "Peacemakers". This means we don't just avoid conflict, we help fix broken things and bring calm where there is tension. In Revelation 21 we get a glimpse of the world made whole. God is restoring everything that's broken in the world, and He invites us to be part of that mission now.
SO WHAT?	 Middle School can feel like a chaotic time-people changing, drama happening, feelings all over the place. It's tempting to just blend in or make more noise. But here's the truth: You were made for more than survival. You were made to join God in bringing peace, kindness, and creativity into the world. Ask yourself: Are your words adding to the drama or bringing peace? Are you using your creativity to build others up or to just get noticed?
NOW WHAT?	 Challenge: Think of one way you can bring peace this week. Maybe to your family, your group of friends, or even your school. EX: Encourage someone or help someone else solve a problem. Next Step: Write down an area of your life that feels chaotic. Pray for that situation, and then ask God if there's any way you can help bring peace there.