



THIS WEEK

BIG IDEA

You were created to reflect God's glory, but sin has broken that reflection. Jesus came to restore it.

BIBLE

Genesis 1:26–28; Genesis 3;
Matthew 26:36–39

ABOUT THIS WEEK

The world tells us to define ourselves by likes, achievements, labels, or how we feel. But the Bible says our true identity starts with who God is—and who He made us to be. In this series, we'll learn what it means to be made in God's image, how Jesus gives us a new identity, and how we can reflect Him through our worship, our gifts,

Let's Break the Ice:

- *When you hear the phrase "be yourself," what do you think it really means? And do you think that's good advice? Why or why not?*

Bible Study:

- Read Together: As a group, read Genesis 1:26-28 NIV; Genesis 3:1-7 NIV; Matthew 26:36-39 NIV
 - *Telos Bible Page Numbers: Genesis 1:26-28 (pg 3) // Genesis 3:1-7 (pg 4) // Matthew 26:36-39 (pg 968)*

Discussion Questions:

- What does being made in God's image tell us about who we are?
 - What difference does it make to know that others are also made in God's image?
- After Adam and Eve disobeyed God, what changed in the way they saw themselves and God?
- What does Jesus' prayer in the garden (Matthew 26) show us about His trust in God?
- How do these stories show the difference between finding your identity in God versus trying to create your own?

Make it Real:

- What's one way you've let something other than God shape how you see yourself (Ex: Friends, feelings, or social media)?
- What's one change you want to make this week to reflect God more clearly in your everyday life?

Prayer

Share Requests:

- *Ask for any prayer requests or praises to celebrate together.*

Group Prayer:

- Thank God for making us in His image and loving us even when we don't live up to that.
- Ask for Him to teach you how to reflect His love, truth, and wisdom in the way we live.

(GROW DEEPER - OPTIONAL) Discipleship Moment:

Remembering God's Truth About You: This week, find a spot that you see often and write "I am Made in God's Image". Whenever you see that, either pray and tell God Thank You or ask Him to help you believe what He says is true about you.

Partner Check-In: Pair students up and have them commit to checking in with their partner either sometime during the week or during your next gathering.