# Indescribable: Your Creator has No Limits

Elementary



Use this guide to help your family learn how God made us to be creative.

First, watch this week's video!

Creativity:
Imagining what
you could do
because you
were made in
God's image.

### **Memory Verse**

"Lord, you are great. You are really worthy of praise.
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Psalm 145:3, NIrV

### **Bible Story**

Four Friends Who Helped (Mark 2:1-12)

### **Bottom Line**

God created you to work with others.

### **Activity**

**Mitt Madness** 

### **What You Need**

Oven mitts or thick gloves; and any of the following: marker with cap, sheet of paper, coin, scissors, book, candy or gum in the wrapper

### **What You Do**

Gather the supplies. Find a hard surface (like the floor or a table) and spread out the items.

Tell your child that it's time to play a game. Say, "Here are some oven mitts to wear. You'll have a challenge to do all on your own, without taking off the mitts. Ready?"

Here are some challenges to consider depending on your supplies:

- Take the cap off the marker
- Pick up the sheet of paper without sliding it
- Spin the coin on the table/
- Cut out a circle from the sheet of paper
- Turn to page (##) in the book
- Unwrap the candy/gum

Then, say, "How many of those were you able to do on your own? Let's try them again. But this time, I'll help you."

This time around, help your child complete each challenge.

### Talk about the Bible Story

When the four men arrived with their hurting friend, they couldn't see Jesus. How did they work together to solve that problem? (They lowered their friend through the roof.)

That's a pretty creative strategy, isn't it? Then what happened? (Jesus healed their friend.)

Just like we discovered in our activity today, sometimes we don't have the skills to do certain things on our own. Have you ever worked together with a friend to do something? How did it feel?

As a family, let's think of a way we could work together to help someone in need. Let's brainstorm a plan and make it happen together. You know why? Because God created us to work together with others.



### Prayer

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

"God, thank You for putting people in our lives who can help us. Alone, we can only do so much. But when we combine our skills and our creativity with other people's creativity, we can do so much more! Help us to remember to look for ways we can work together. We love You! Amen."

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# DAY 1

### Read Genesis 2:18

Imagine you are Adam, the first person ever created. You're surrounded by beauty, far beyond imagination. It's not too hot or too cold and there's plenty of delicious food to eat. You're given the job of tending to this beautiful garden. But it doesn't feel like work, it's fun!

Then God gives you the coolest job of all—naming the animals! You name the elephants, toucans, jellyfish, frogs and all the rest. But none of these amazing creatures are quite right for you. They can't think or feel or talk or love in the way you can. So, God creates a helper, Eve.

From the very beginning, God created us to need each other, work together and help each other. That's why big projects are easier to tackle with friends. It isn't good to be alone. God created us to help one another.

Grab a piece of paper and draw an animal of your own creation. Then, ask a friend to help you come up with a creative name! Thank God for the friends He's given you and ask Him to help you be a good friend too knowing that God created you to help others.

### Read Romans 12:4-5

Do you remember the song "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes?" Go ahead, you can sing it if you want.

You probably learned this song as a preschooler to help you to identify different parts of your body. It's hard to imagine but there really was a time when you didn't know your knee from your elbow.

Just like a body has different parts that do very different things, God has given people different skills and abilities. Whatever job we've been given, we should do it with all our ability. Everyone is important, that's why God made each of us unique and gifted in our own way.

Sing the words below to the tune of "Head, Shoulder, Knees and Toes." Grab a friend or sibling to help you create some fun motions too.

One body, many parts, many parts.

Head and shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes.

(Repeat)

Altogether is more fun, made by to God work as one.

Your eyes and ears and mouth and nose.

One body, many parts, many parts.

Head and shoulders, knees and toes, knees and toes.



# God created you others. to work with



### Read Hebrews 10:24

Lifting something heavy. Planting a garden. Building a fort. Playing catch. Or tag. Or hide and go seek. In the space below, list some other things that are easier or more FUN with friends:

There are some things that are easier and way more fun with friends! This week, we're taking a look at how God created you to work with others. And today's verse gives us a great big clue about how to do this.

Did you catch the "stir each other up" part? What happens when you stir two things together? It becomes one new even better combination. When we "stir" or motivate each other in love, we can do more good together.

Think about the unique way God made you. Do you like to draw or paint or create? Do you like to sing or perform? Do you like to plan or organize? Now, think of one way you can use your unique abilities to love and to stir up or motivate others to do good too. Now pick one friend and follow through by encouraging them in the unique way that only you can.

### Read 1 Peter 3:8

Let's talk about coral! While it might look like a rock or a plant, it's actually an animal. Each piece of coral that you see is made of hundreds, possibly thousands, of individual coral called polyps (POL-ips). These polyps all mass together pulling the calcium from seawater to produce that recognizable rocky appearance. Coral also provides shelter to hundreds—sometimes thousands—of sea creatures. It's a safe place for fish to lay their eggs, even acting as a sort of nursey for the babies of larger fish until they are big enough to swim on their own.

Studying coral helps us understand the idea of unity or cooperation—working together as one. It's what Peter is talking about when he asks us to "agree with one another, to be kind and humble and understanding and to love one another." Because when we stick together, we can get way more done. Just like God created those individual polyps to work together, God created you to work with others.

Write out the words of today's verse on an index card. Put it in your lunchbox or backpack. When you're at school tomorrow, read the verse and ask God to help you be kind, understanding and loving toward others in cooperation and unity.

You may just be one "polyp," but you're pretty powerful when you work with others. For more inspiration, see pages 120 and 121 in "How Great Is Our God" by Louie Giglio.

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**WEEKLY CUES** 

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### **Theme**

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### **REMEMBER THIS**

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### **Week Four**

Four Friends Who Helped Mark 2:1-12

### **Say This**

God created you to work with others.

### **Do This**



### **Drive Time**

While in the car, ask your child to look around outside and take turns finishing this sentence, "God is so creative, He created . . ." Then, talk about your favorite creation and why.



# When kids begin to understand they are made in the image of God, they tend to look at the world and themselves in a different way.

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