

DISTINCT

If someone asked who you are, what would you say? Maybe you'd say your name. Or maybe you'd say, "I'm a musician. A basketball player. A friend. A daughter or son. I'm a human!" Those things might be true, but have you ever felt like you're still figuring out who you are, what you're good at, or why you're here? In this 4-week series, the stories of Jesus and John the Baptist, and the words of Paul, will help us see why discovering who Jesus is helps us discover who we're meant to be. Not only is **Jesus is distinct** from anyone who has ever lived, but **God made us distinct** too, with **distinct gifts** we can use to serve God and others, and unique **distinctions that are worth celebrating.**

THIS WEEK

THE BIG IDEA

God made you distinct.

THE BIBLE

John 1:19-23; Isaiah 43:1-7; Psalm 139:13-14

- What's the weirdest food you really like?
- What's something weird about you that you really like?
- Would you rather blend in, stand out, or a little bit of both? Why?
- Have you ever changed or hidden who you are to fit in? What happened and what did you learn from it?
- What's one thing about you that often makes you feel different from other people?
- Why do you think John the Baptist was so confident in his identity? How do you think we can get some of his confidence?
- How do you think a person figures out who they are (and who they aren't)?
- How long do you think it takes to figure out who you are? How close do you think you are?
- Read Psalm 139:13-14. What are some of the ways God has made you distinct?
- This week, what's one way you can show you're thankful for the unique way God made you?

ACTIVITY

Make a plan to do The Distinct Challenge together! And remind everyone to keep their reflection cards or take pictures of them. You'll want to look at them again next week.