

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

We can celebrate our distinctions...

THE BIBLE

I Corinthians 12:12-31; Revelation 7:9-10; Psalm 139:13-14

- What's the weirdest thing you like (but are kind of embarrassed about)?
- What's something weird about you that you're not at all embarrassed about?
- When does being different feel like a good thing? When does it feel like a bad thing?
- What are some of the differences people tend to judge, criticize, or bully each other for?
- What are some examples of differences God created? What are some examples of differences people choose for themselves?
- Have you ever believed ignoring someone's differences was the right thing to do? How has your opinion changed or stayed the same?
- Read Psalm 139:13-14. How do you think the world would change if we believed God made us all different on purpose?
- How is "unity" different from "sameness"? How can God's people be united even when we have differences?
- What's one situation where you feel uncomfortable with people who are different than you? Why do you think you feel that way?
- This week, what can you do to celebrate someone who is different than you?

ACTIVITY

If your group took The Distinct Challenge, share your favorite takeaways, questions, and next steps together.