

CHRIST-LIKE CHARACTER LESSONS

CONFIDENCE:

“CREATED IN GOD’S IMAGE”

Read Ezekiel 1:1,4-9,22-28.

Questions for discussion

1. What did Ezekiel do when he had a vision of God? (A vision is a dream that you have when you are still awake.)
2. How did Ezekiel describe what God looked like?
3. If you had a vision of God, what do you think you would do?

Read Genesis 1:26-28.

1. The Bible tells us that we are made in the image of God. What do you think this means?
2. What was the important job that God gave to man?
3. Do you think God would give this job to just anybody or anything?

Read James 3:9-10.

1. Who has been made in God’s likeness?
2. Is it okay to say bad things about others or ourselves?

KEY concepts

When Ezekiel had a vision of God, he fell face down on the ground. He couldn’t even stand up and look at the vision. Ezekiel described God as having a figure like a man, and from His waist up He looked like “glowing metal, as if full of fire, and that from there down He looked like fire; and brilliant light surrounded Him” (**Ezekiel 1:27**). Ezekiel also said the radiance around God was like a rainbow in the clouds on a rainy day. It would have been an incredibly magnificent sight! You can understand why Ezekiel bowed down before his vision of God. The Bible tells us that we are made in the image of God. To be made in God’s image, or to be created to be similar to Him, is a big honour. It means we have been made to live forever and made with the ability to know, to love, and to serve God. We have also been given the ability to make choices.

God loves people and He wants us to treat each other with care and respect. In the Bible, it tells us that it is wrong to use our tongues to praise God and then say bad things about people, who have been made in God’s image. When we say negative things about other people or negative things about ourselves, we are insulting God’s amazing creations.

God is incredible. Being made in His image means we are extremely valuable. When we see ourselves and others as valued creations of God, it helps us to remember to treat each person (including ourselves and His other creations) with love, kindness and consideration.

Relevant Scripture

- ❖ Titus 3:1-2 “Remind the people to be subject to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready to do whatever is good, to slander no one, to be peaceable and considerate, and to show true humility toward all men.”\