

Kids, You Are Special

No one in the whole world Is a duplicate of you. I'm glad God made you special, You're the one and only YOU!

It's true! No one else looks exactly like you and talks like you and thinks like you.

Look at your hands. No one else has fingerprints exactly like yours. God is so wise that he designed a fresh set for each person. He never has to use the same pattern twice!

Even if people tell you that you look like your mother or your Uncle Jim, you are the only one of you God made. Long before you were born he planned how you would look, from the top of your head down to your toes.

God made you so special because he loves you. He made you so that you could know him, and love him back.

God's special book, the Bible, says that God cares about each bird in the sky (Matthew 10:29). But he is much more interested in you (Matthew 10:31)!

God knows everything about us. He knows the good things that we do and the bad things that we don't want anyone to know about. The Bible says that we all have done bad things (sins) and that we all deserve to be punished for doing them (Romans 3:23; 6:23).

But you and I are so important to God that he sent his very own Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross and take the punishment we

deserve.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

God loves you so much that he wants to forgive you for your sins. But first you must agree with him that you have sinned. You must also believe Jesus died so you can be forgiven and live with God in heaven someday. If you truly believe that with all your heart, right now you can talk to God. Tell him that you accept Jesus' death to take the punishment for your sins. He is always ready to listen to you. He wants you to be part of his family and to help you every day!

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