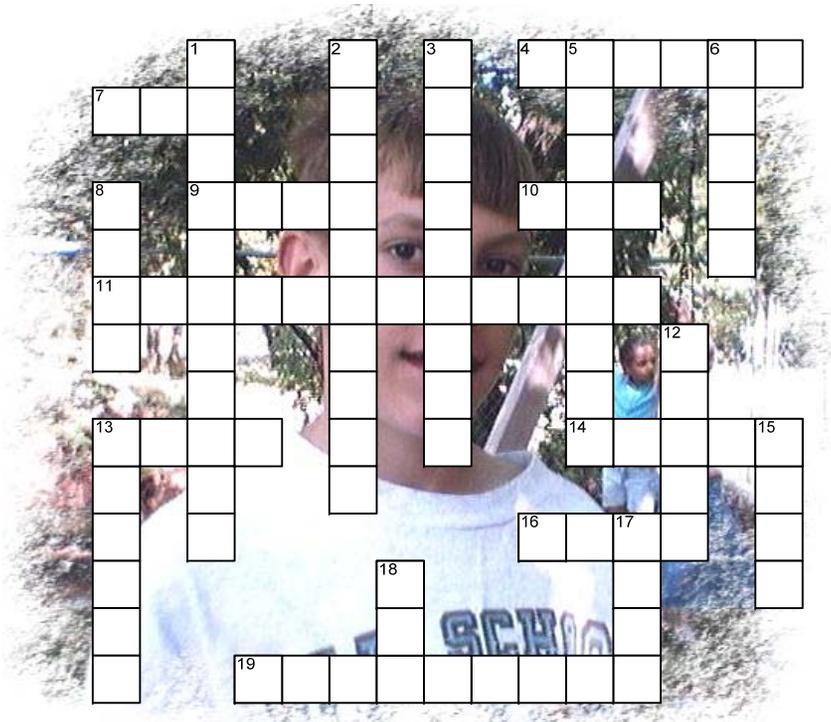


Complete this Crossword Puzzle



Across

4. God needs us to express His _____.
7. God built her.
9. We are not all the _____.
10. We are to express _____.
11. Uniqueness on our fingertips.
13. People have different color eyes and _____.
14. Identical _____ look alike but still have many differences.
16. Some people are slow and others are _____.
19. Kind of twins that look exactly alike.

Down

1. In our soul is our _____.
2. We are different in our _____ and in our personality.
3. Not the same.
5. God considers our differences precious and _____.
6. God has an _____ love for all of us. (He loves us all the same.)
8. We all have the human _____.
12. God _____ Eve from Adam's rib.
13. We are not all the same _____. (How tall we are.)
15. Some people are fast and others are _____.
17. In our _____ is our personality.
19. Created in God's image to express God.

Man in God's Creation

- Lesson Thirteen -

Similarities and Differences in People (2)

I. Overview.

In the previous lesson we looked at similarities in people. In this lesson, we will look at the differences in people. Even though we have many similarities, we are all unique. Our differences are what make us unique. We all have our own distinct appearance, fingerprints, way of acting, and likes and dislikes.

God made us this way and we are all equally precious to Him. Because of this we should all love and respect our fellow man.



II. Scriptures for Memory.

Matthew 22:39

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

III. Lesson.

God made us all unique. There is no one else who is just like us. This makes each person very special. Because God's life is so rich, He needs millions of unique people to express His many aspects. If we were all the same, only one

express His many aspects. If we were all the same, only one aspect of God would be expressed. This is why, after God created Adam, that He built Eve for Him and told them to multiply and fill the earth. If God could have gained His expression in just Adam, His purpose could have been completed by simply putting His life into Adam. But God must have all of us in order to express His riches. This is why we are all very precious and important to God.

We Each Have a Unique Appearance

If you consider what you look like, you will realize that you have never seen anyone who looks exactly like you. We can be different from others in how tall we are, or in what color eyes and hair we have. Even if we are the same in these things, we all have different faces, unless we are an identical twin, which is very rare. Even when there are identical twins, who really do look the same, they will have many other differences; in their fingerprints and personality, etc. as we will see next.



We Each Have a Unique Personality

All people have their own personality. Even when there are similarities in appearance, such as with identical twins, our personalities are never the same. Although our bodies are very complicated and there are so many ways for us to look differently, our soul, which contains our personality is even more complex. We are all different in our personality because of natural differences in our soul and also because of our different life experiences. Unlike our bodies, our life experiences can shape and change our soul. This is why we need the best environment to grow up in. We need an excellent education and also need to be preserved from many things that would damage our soul. Our personality is precious to God be-

cause, even more than through our appearance, God is expressed in our person.

Because our souls are different, we like different things, and act differently from one another. Some people are fast, while others are slow. Some love reading, while others like being outdoors. We should love and treasure the differences in people because it is through all these differences that God is expressed.

--- Questions for Discussion ---

1. Why is it good that we are all different in many ways?

2. List five ways in which people are different that are not mentioned in this lesson.

3. Why could God's purpose not be accomplished if we were all the same as each other?

4. Why should we treasure our differences?

5. What is our personality?

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