GENESIS 1:26 + MATTHEW 22:36-39

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## SONG: THIS LITTLE LIGHT OF MINE

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine.

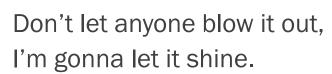


Hide it under a bushel? NO! I'm gonna let it shine.
Hide it under a bushel? NO! I'm gonna let it shine.

Hide it under a bushel? NO! I'm gonna let it shine.

Let it shine, let it shine.

Don't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.
Don't let anyone blow it out, I'm gonna let it shine.



Let it shine, let it shine.



Let it shine 'til Jesus comes
I'm gonna let it shine
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I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine 'til shine
Let it shine, let it shine

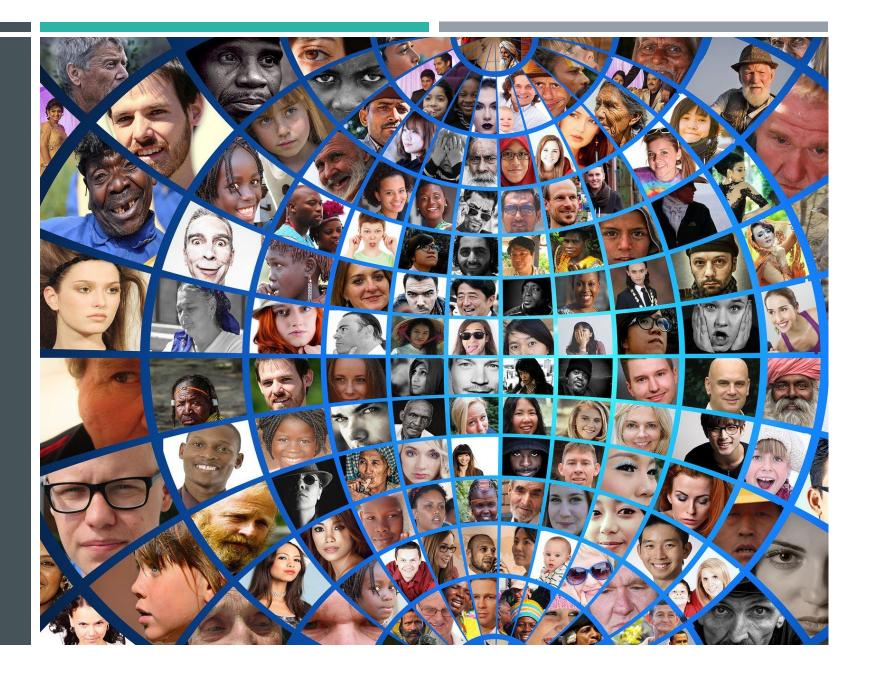




# ALL PEOPLE ARE MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE

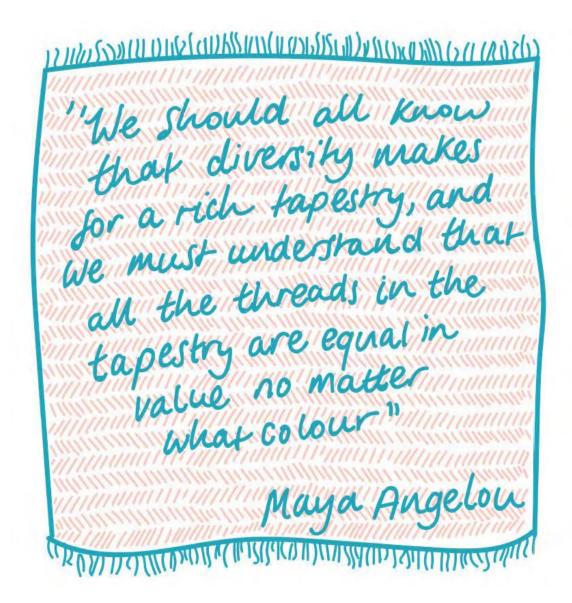
God said: "Let us make human beings in our image,

So they can be responsible for the fish in the sea, the birds in the air, the cattle, and, yes, Earth itself, and every animal that moves on the face of Earth."



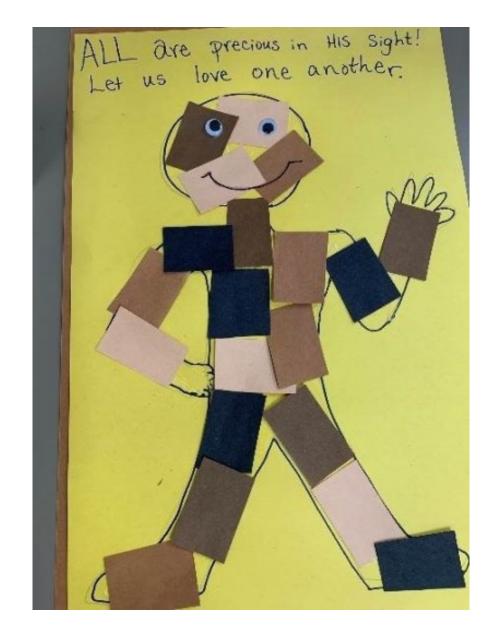
## WHAT IS DIVERSITY?





## CRAFT TIME!

- Use construction paper, glue, and scissors to make a human mosaic
- We are all beautiful in God's eyes!



## GOD'S GREATEST COMMANDMENTS: LOVE

- The Pharisee asked, "Teacher, which command in the law is the most important?"
- Jesus answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul and mind.'
- This is the first and most important command.
- And the second command is like the first: 'Love your neighbor as you love yourself.'"



# HOW CAN WE LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR AS OURSELVES?

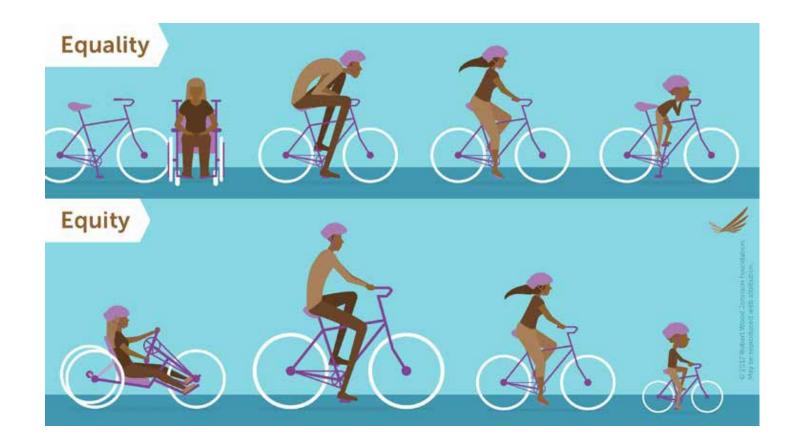
"Equality is giving everyone a shoe.

Equity is giving everyone a shoe that fits."

-Naheed Dosani



## We can make sure they have what they need



"Diversity is being invited to the party. Inclusion is being asked to dance"

- Verna Myers



We can make sure they are included



## REPEAT AFTER ME PRAYER

Dear God,

Thank you for making us in your image.

Thank you for making us all your children.

Thank you for making us all different and all beautiful.

Help us to love and include everyone

And spread your love to one another.

In Jesus name, Amen!



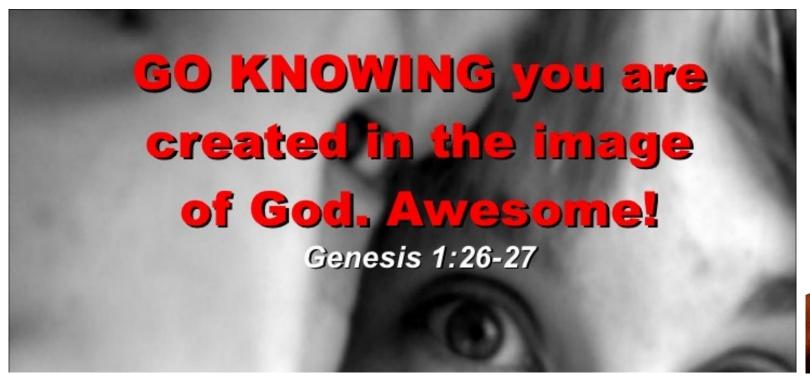


# SHARING TIME: WHAT WAS ONE THING THAT HAPPENED THIS WEEK THAT WAS EXCITING OR MADE YOU HAPPY?

### SONG: HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORD IN HIS HANDS

- He's got the whole world in His hands
   He's got the whole world in His hands
   He's got the whole world in His hands
   He's got the whole world in His hands
- He's got the itty bitty baby in His hands
   He's got the itty bitty baby in His hands
   He's got the itty bitty baby in His hands
   He's got the whole world in His hands
- He's got a-you and me brother in His hands
   He's got a-you and me brother in His hands
   He's got a-you and me brother in His hands
   He's got the whole world in His hands

- He's got a-you and me sister in His hands
   He's got a-you and me sister in His hands
   He's got a-you and me sister in His hands
   He's got the whole world in His hands
- He's got all of creation in His hands
   He's got all of creation in His hands
   He's got all of creation in His hands
   He's got the whole world in His hands
- He's got the whole world in His hands
  He's got the whole world in His hands
  He's got the whole world in His hands
  He's got the whole world in His hands





THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!