

# Discussion Guide

Image of God  
January 18, 2026

## **PART 1: RECAP. HAVE SOMEONE READ THIS OUT LOUD.**

Last week we started our series on the book of Genesis. We started with an introduction to the book of Genesis to help us understand how this book gives us the foundations of our faith. This week, we are looking at the beginning of Genesis and talking about how our identity is found in God. When we begin to live with our identity in Christ, it will also affect how we view others and our relationship with them.

- Did you have a nickname growing up? What is the story behind it?

## **PART 2: HAVE SOMEONE READ GENESIS 1:26-31 OUT LOUD. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS AS A GROUP.**

- What do you think it means to be an image-bearer of God?
- Where do people in our culture tend to look for identity/purpose and fulfillment?
- What does this passage tell us about our purpose? What does it tell us about the importance of community?

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### PART 3: REFLECT. ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS TOGETHER.

- How is an identity found in God different from one we give ourselves? (Think “achieved vs. received”)
- Is it difficult to accept an identity in God rather than one you give yourself? Why?
- If we began to live according to our identity in God, how would that affect our relationships with others?  
How would you treat others?
- What is your job as an image-bearer of Christ? How should we act in light of this?

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#### MEMORY VERSE:

Genesis 1:27

So God created man in his own image,  
in the image of God he created him;  
male and female he created them.

#### NEXT STEPS:

- I will text HEART to 208-586-6214 and fill out the HeartChart survey.
- I will spend time in prayer for the health of my relationship with God and others.
- I will find my identity in God rather than \_\_\_\_\_.

