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 Part 1: *Why Did God Make Us?*

We have THE most thoughtful, creative kids at The Story, and for the past several weeks, I've been talking to them and their parents about the questions they have about God and the Bible. All month long, I'll be tackling their toughest questions with my sermons. One important note: these are kids' questions, but my sermons will be geared toward adults for two reasons: 1) on some level, these are questions people of all ages are asking, and 2) I want to help prepare parents (and all adults at TSH) to respond to the questions our kids are asking about God and the Bible. So let's get to it!

WHY DID GOD MAKE US?

First, here are a few Bible passages that are pertinent to today's question:

- + Genesis 1:26-27: "Then God said, 'Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.' So God created humankind in His own image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them."
- + Psalm 8:3-4: "When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them."
- + Isaiah 43:6-7: "Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth - everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."
- + 1 Corinthians 10:31: "So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

Before hearing today's message, how would you answer the question, "Why did God make people in the first place?"

(Keep in mind, this particular question usually comes from a place of pain: people are really asking, "Why did God make people [if He knew that so many people would live in pain and agony]?")



What does Genesis 1:26-27 tell us about God's possible motive for creating human beings?

In Isaiah 43, God said He created His daughters and sons for His glory. What is "glory", and what does it mean that God created us for His glory?

Read 1 Corinthians 10:31. What do you think it means to do everything for the glory of God?

When you are _____,
God is _____.

Your notes: