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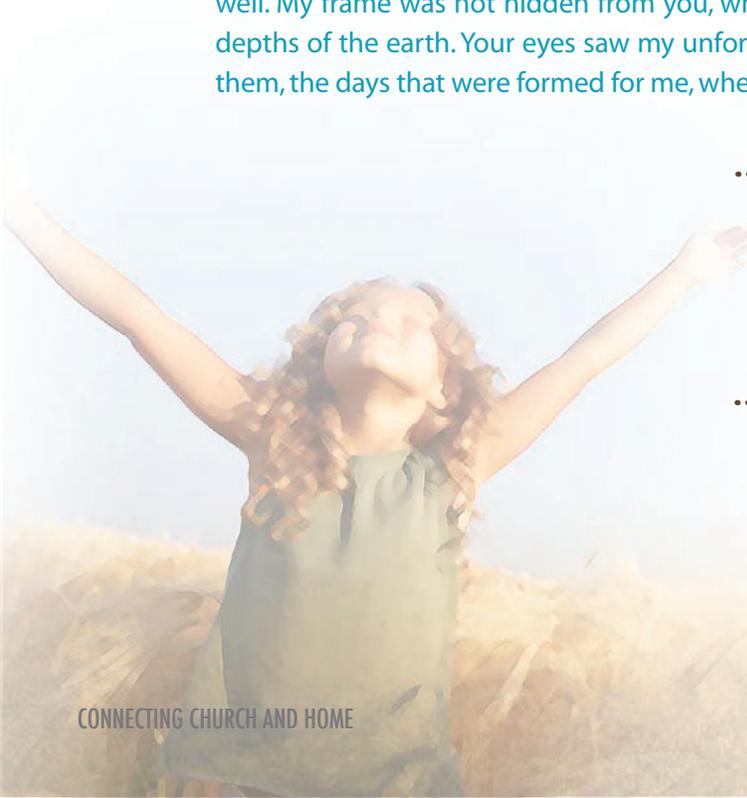
Imago Dei is Latin for the “image of God.” Of all of God’s creation, only man and woman have the distinct honor of being image bearers. One of the first rights and privileges of being an image bearer of God was mankind’s absolute rule over all of creation. One would think that that would have certainly given man enough jurisdiction and rulership to be content and satisfied. Unfortunately, man was not content. Because he did not obey God, this ability to bear the image of God would be marred.

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In Psalm 139, we see that God has gone to great details to create each of us. These verses use the analogy of God knitting us together in our mother’s womb. The passages that your child(ren) will study this Sunday point to man and woman being the pinnacle of God’s creation. They will learn of their ability to communicate directly with God, their position to stand before Him with no guilt, and of God’s great desire to relate to His creation. Encourage your child to consider how God clearly desires a relationship with everyone who bears His image. One of the most important ways we and our children bear God’s image is that of all of God’s creation only we have a soul.

Treasure Verse: “For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother’s womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them” (Psalm 139:14-16).

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“Formative instruction forms or shapes our children. It is not a single event, but a lifetime of interaction that is based on God’s revelation. We are promised that our teaching will bear fruit in our children’s lives.” – *Tedd and Margy Tripp, Instructing a Child’s Heart, pg. 19*
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