

Individuality is discovering who you're meant to be so you can make a difference.

DAY 1

Read 1 Corinthians 12:15-17

When you were younger, did you ever play with a Mr. or Mrs. Potato Head? Did you ever stick the ear piece where the nose piece should go? You can come up with some pretty crazy looking potatoes for sure!

Your eyes and nose and ears and hands all have important and different jobs. Hands aren't less important than eyes. Noses aren't less important than ears. It would make zero sense for your feet to say, "Well, I can't do what the mouth does so I guess I should take a hike!" Just like your feet have a specific job or role to play, YOU have a specific role too. Your gifts along with the gifts of others can make the biggest difference!

Grab a potato and some toothpicks from the kitchen. On a piece of paper, draw some eyes, and a nose, two ears and a mouth and color them if you'd like. Tape each part to a toothpick then stick the toothpick into the potato to create your "potato person." Set your creation on the counter in your kitchen as a reminder to use your gifts together to make a greater difference.

DAY 2

Read 1 Corinthians 12:18-20

Take a look at your potato person from yesterday. Has anyone in your family asked you questions about your creation?

Just like you placed those ears and eyes and nose and mouth on your potato person, God knew exactly what He was doing when He made you! He has gifted you and placed you exactly where you're supposed to be. And the best response you can have to the wonderful, amazing way He's made you, is gratitude! You can be grateful for the unique ways He's gifted you and look for ways to use those gifts (along with others) to make the biggest impact!

Grab some yarn and add some crazy hair or draw a hat to add to your potato person's head. Use that brain of yours to think of ways you can show God how grateful you are for the awesome way He's made you to work with others. To say "thank you" to God, you could sing a worship song, write out a prayer, share with a friend something cool about God or just sit outside and stare at His wonderful creation.

DAY 3

Read 1 Corinthians 12:21

Just as the eyes and hands are an important part of your body, you have a role to play when it comes to making a difference in the world around you. Think about it: God made you for a unique and specific purpose. That means that there are things you can do that NO ONE else can do.

Maybe you're thinking, "that sounds great and all, but I have no idea what that unique and specific purpose is?" Guess what? **You can start asking God, right now, to show you.** Just as your body needs your eyes and feet and hands and ears, all the people that love and follow Jesus around you need you. We can use our gifts together to make a bigger impact.

Grab some paper and some toothpicks. Draw two hands and feet to add to your potato person. Ask God to show you how He's uniquely gifted you to make a difference so you can be part of helping others follow Jesus!

DAY 4

Read 1 Corinthians 12:27

Have you ever grabbed a gallon of milk to pour onto your favorite cereal and smelled that sour, 'this milk has gone bad' smell? What if your mouth or your eyes decided to ignore your hard-working nose and poured that expired milk into the bowl anyway? Your nose, mouth, and eyes (and all the other parts of you) have to work together so you can safely enjoy that bowl of Fruity Pebble Boo Berry Sugar Smacks.

Just like your body has many parts with specific jobs to do, you have a role to play in helping others know about Jesus. The world needs your individual gifts and abilities. And when you work together with others who have different gifts, you can make an even bigger impact.

Take your Potato Person to the dinner table for your next family meal. Let each person share one unique talent or ability God has given them. Then brainstorm ways you can combine those gifts to make an even bigger impact.

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