

Chosen

Introduction

This week at Hope is a special opportunity for us to partner with World Vision to enter into a relationship with children across the globe in Ethiopia. Through the Chosen program, you can be chosen by a child who needs your prayers and financial support. It is a reminder that we are bound together in this world by the love of God and Jesus' command to care for one another.

Take time this week to read God's word and to remember that first and foremost, he has chosen you. He has called you by your name and said that you are his. Jesus died for you. He rose for you. Because you are his, he calls you into the world to be a beacon for the life we have in the name of Jesus. How we live, how we treat each other, and how we care for the world God made makes a difference. God chose us; and we choose to follow him.

Read Your Bible

- Isaiah 43:1-4
- Psalm 139:1-6
- John 15:9-17

Apply God's Word to Your Life:

1. When have you have been chosen for something? Think about a team or a special opportunity. What did it feel like to be chosen?
2. Read the Isaiah passage again. What does it say about God choosing you?
3. How does Psalm 139 talk about God's relationship to us?
4. What does John 15 say about being chosen?
5. How does it feel that the God of the universe chooses you? What does it mean for your life?
6. How does being chosen by God change how we see and interact with the world around us?
7. Who are the people in your life that need to know that God chooses them also? How will you tell them?

Reflecting on the text:

1. What have you learned about God?
2. What have you learned about the world?
3. What have you learned about yourself?

Pray

God of mercy and love, in your infinite grace you have chosen us as your people. You have called us by our names, and you have called us your friends. Let your great salvation teach us to choose to follow you each and every day, so that the world might know the depth of your love. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.