

God Made You a Girl or a Boy

PRO TIP

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CONNECTIONS TO THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

CCC 280, 339

MATERIALS

God Made You a Boy or a
Girl (foldable booklet)

CHRISTIAN ANTHROPOLOGY STANDARDS

1.1.2 TOB Recognize the goodness of creation. (TOB 13:3; CCC 280, 339)

SUGGESTED TIME

10 minutes

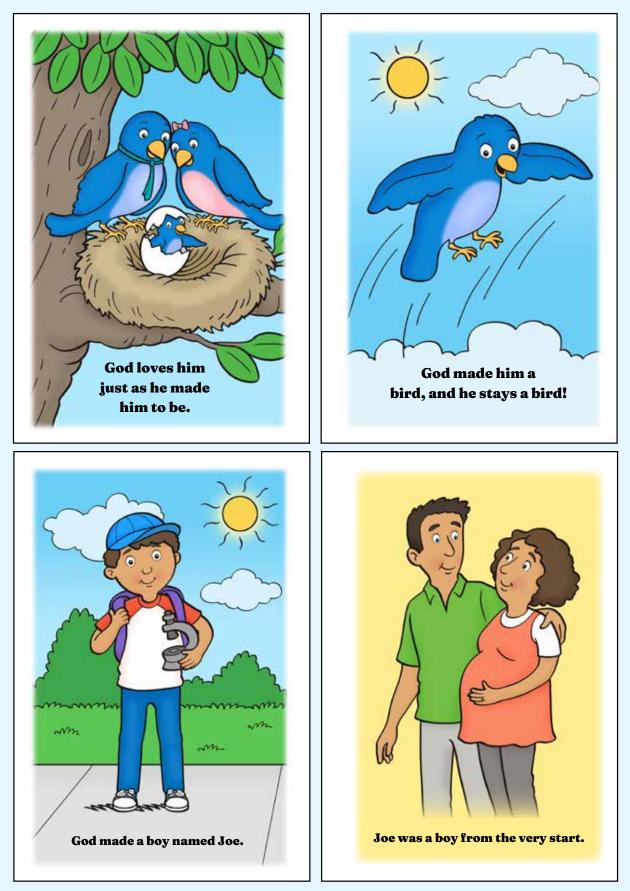
STUDENT PAGES 1-2



Activity

- A. Prepare a booklet for each child by printing them out double-sided and folding, or you may also make just one for yourself to hold up as you read.
- B. Hold up the first pages and read aloud the words on the page.
- **C.** Ask the class what they see on the page. Point to the father bird, and the mother bird, and ask if they know what is in the egg. *A baby bird.*
- D. Continue to read aloud, asking the class what they see on each page. On the next few pages, point out that just like the baby bird was the same bird after he hatched, each one of us is the same person we were when we were inside our mother's womb.

STUDENT PAGES 3-4

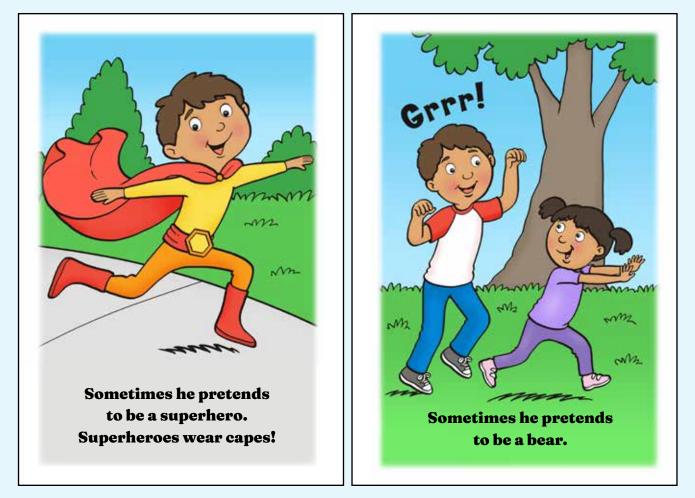


STUDENT PAGES 5-6



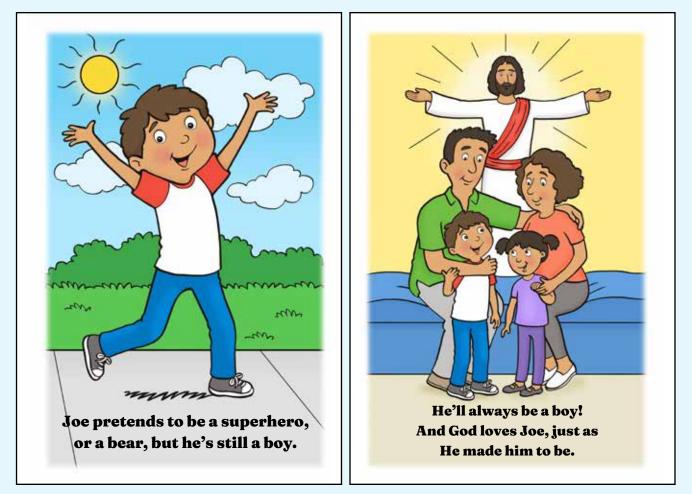
- E. After reading them aloud, hold up these pages and ask what are some things in God's creation they can see. Accept all answers.
- F. Emphasize that Joe and Marie in this story, and their family, and all people everywhere, are part of God's creation! We are part of creation, and God loves us!
- **G.** Ask if anyone has ever played dress-up, and invite students to share. Affirm that when they pretend to be someone else, or dress up as someone else, they remain the person they are.

STUDENT PAGES 7-8



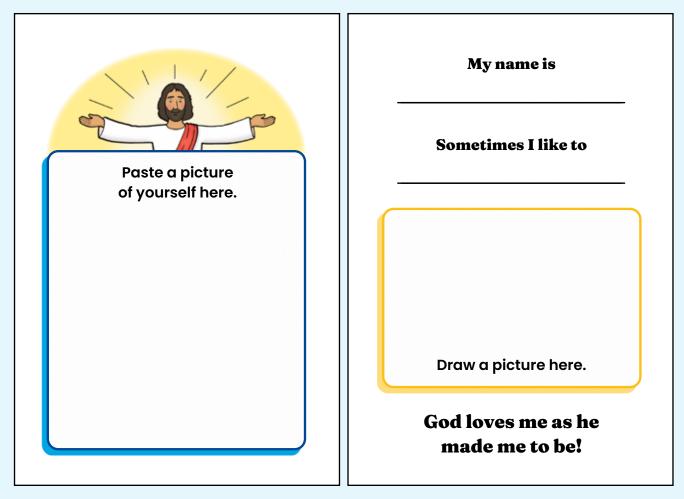
- H. After reading aloud these pages, hold up the pictures and ask which is the girl, and which is the boy.
- I. Explain that God makes every person a girl or a boy.

STUDENT PAGES 9-10



- J. Finish reading the story, and again point out that even though Joe pretends to be a superhero, and a bear, or anything else, he remains the boy that he is. He will always be a boy—and that's a wonderful thing! Explain that God makes each of us a boy or a girl, and that never changes, just like His love for us never changes!
- K. Emphasize that God loves each one of us as He made us. Whether we are a boy or a girl is a gift from God. When we receive a gift with love, we show love to the person who gave it to us!

STUDENT PAGES 11-12



L. Invite students to paste a picture of themselves in the blank, and draw a picture where noted. Encourage them to take their booklets home and share them with their parents.

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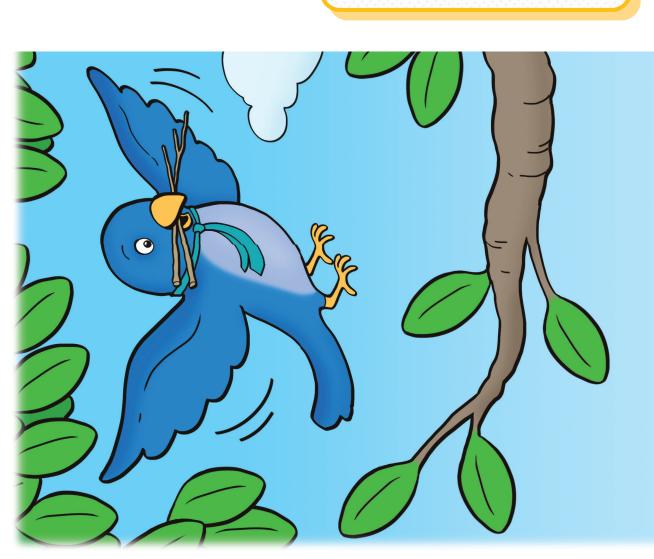


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God loves me as he made me to be!

Draw a picture here.

God made a bird. He'll always be a bird!



My name is

Sometimes I like to

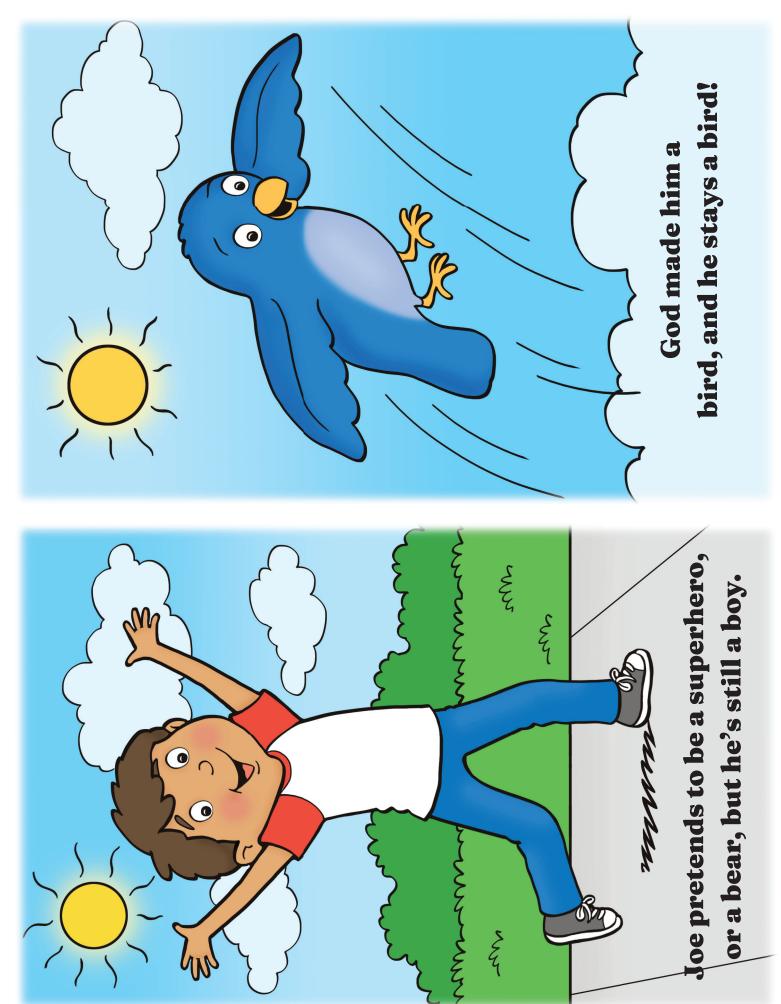


Paste a picture of yourself here.











Joe was a boy from the very start.



Sometimes he pretends to be a superhero. Superheroes wear capes!



Joe likes to play dress up with his sister, Marie.



