



Supplies

- Bible
- washable markers
- masking tape

I Wonder...

Remember this part of the Bible story?



Read aloud 1 Samuel 16:13.

It might seem strange to hear about pouring oil on someone's head. But in Bible times, it happened a lot! That makes me wonder...

? Why did Samuel pour oil on David's head? Let's find out with a game!

- Place washable markers in the center of the room.
- Form teams, and assign each team a different color of marker. (If you have a variety of colors, assign two or more colors to each team.)
- In relay fashion, the players on each team will run to the center, grab one of their team's colors, then run it back to their team.
- Continue until all markers have been sorted by color.

This game helped us sort and separate markers. When you separate things, you move or cause them to be apart. In Bible times, anointing with oil was a way to show that priests, prophets, and kings were separate from others. They were set apart for a special purpose—to serve God!

Have everyone decide on what color of marker should be set apart for a special purpose.

God has set each of you apart for a special reason too! He has chosen you to be his dearly loved child and to show the world what God's love is like.

Use the chosen marker color to draw a heart on each person's hand. If any kids would prefer not to have marks on their hands, draw on a piece of masking tape and stick it to the child's hand.

? What's something awesome you think God might be setting you apart to do?

God helps us...and sees our hearts. (Stand strong!) You are set apart!





Supplies

- paper towels
- washable markers
- container with ½ inch of water

Make It Real

Today we're discovering how **God helps us...and sees our hearts.** *(Stand strong!)*

God can see what's on our hearts even when no one else can. Let's make that truth a little more real.

- Give each person a paper towel, and have everyone fold their paper towels in half.
- Next have them draw a heart outline on the top part of the paper towel.
- Then they'll open the paper towel and draw or write different feelings they've had throughout the past week.
- Then have everyone fold the top of the paper towel back over.

When you look on just the outside of your paper towel, you can't see what's underneath. But **God helps us...and sees our hearts. *(Stand strong!)* Let's see what happens when we drop our paper towels in the water!**

Have everyone take turns gently dropping their folded paper towels into the container of water.

? What surprised you when you placed your paper towel in the water?

Everything below instantly came through so you could see what was on the inside of the heart!

? How do you feel knowing that God always sees what's true in your heart?

God cares about your thoughts and feelings on the inside. **God helps us...and sees our hearts. *(Stand strong!)***





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