WORD of LIFE

Chapter 2

Lesson Enhancement Video: In God's Image

- Start with Scripture: When God created Adam and Eve, He said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness" (Genesis 1:26). What does this mean? (Answers may include we were made to love like God loves, we were made different from the rest of creation, and each of us is unique.)
 - Are all people made in God's image and likeness or just some people? (All people.)
 - Because people are made in God's image and likeness, they have dignity. How, then, should we treat other people? (We should treat them with respect.)
 - Do all people have human dignity? (Yes, because all people are made in God's image and likeness.)
- Highlight the teaching point of the video: God created us with a body and a soul. What part of us lives forever?
 (Our soul.)
 - Does this mean our body is not important? (No, it is also very important.) Our bodies also make us who we are!
 - Is a human being just a soul or a body and a soul? (A body and a soul. Both make us who we are. Human beings are a unity of both body and soul.)
 - What part of us gives us the ability to think, choose, and love? (Our soul.)
 - Why did God give us a soul? (So that we can love like He loves. He made us to love and be loved by Him.)
- End with the last teaching point of the video: What are two things that go really well together? (Answers may include milk and cookies, peanut butter and jelly, and a good friend and a sunny day.) Both of these things are good on their own, but they are even better together. Their differences help each other.
 - Now let's think about men and women. Are they different? (Yes, in many ways.) But can their differences help
 each other? (Yes!) If an example is needed, you can use the example that men are often stronger than women, so
 they can help protect and care for them. On the other hand, women are the only ones who can have children, so
 they can bring new life into the world.
 - When two different things go well together and help each other, they are complementary. Do you think men and women are complementary? (Yes.) God created men and women different, but their differences are meant to help each other.

Gabriel's Quest for Chapter 2: Just Like Your Father

Lesson Link: Man and woman are made in the image of God to think, love, and choose.

- What did Gabriel discover about the school subjects he struggled to learn? (Answers may include that his dad wasn't good at them either and he had to work harder at them.)
- Was Gabriel able to get better at them? How? (Yes. He acted like his father and worked harder at them.)
- Are there some ways that it is hard to live in the image of God? (Answers may vary.)
- How can we live more in the image of God? (Answers may include praying, practicing, asking for help, and looking to holy people for their examples.)
- Optional: Have students use their journal pages to reflect on Question 4: *How can we live more in the image of God?* Journal pages are available on the teacher and student portals.