

GOALS

LIFE CONCEPT: GOD CREATES HUMAN BEINGS

BAND A

BAND B

BAND C

BAND D

FAITH STATEMENT 1: GOD CREATES AND LOVES ALL PEOPLE

To help students hear, explore and reflect on this faith statement, teachers will provide opportunities for students to:

1a hear the Bible's account of the creation of people	1a investigate the biblical focus of people as God's unique creation	1a investigate the Bible's teaching that human life is a gift from God	1a explore the Christian understanding of what it means to be human
1b investigate the Christian belief that people are male and female by God's design	1b explore the Bible teachings that male and female are equally valuable to God	1b explore the Christian belief that God continues to create through the gift of procreation	1b examine the implications of their sexuality as a gift from God
1c explore examples from the Bible which illustrate God's love for people	1c explore the Christian belief that God loves and values all people	1c investigate the Christian belief that Jesus is the ultimate expression of God's unconditional love	1c examine how Jesus valued and unconditionally accepted people of all walks of life

FAITH STATEMENT 2: GOD CREATES EACH PERSON AS A UNIQUE INDIVIDUAL WITH CHARACTERISTICS AND ABILITIES

To help students hear, explore and reflect on this faith statement, teachers will provide opportunities for students to:

2a explore the Christian belief that God gives each person their physical and emotional characteristics	2a explore the Christian belief that each person's talents and abilities are God-given	2a explore the Christian belief that God created people as physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual beings	2a explore the Christian belief that the diversity and complexity of human beings is part of God's design
2b explore and express their creative gifts	2b investigate ways Christians use their talents to serve God and others	2b explore the Christian belief that the gospel is a primary factor in healthy self-esteem	2b explore the gospel's message about people's identity and value
		2c explore the Christian understanding that people have a responsibility to use their abilities in love and service	2c investigate ways people can use and develop their gifts and abilities

FAITH STATEMENT 3: GOD CREATES ALL PEOPLE TO LIVE IN RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM

To help students hear, explore and reflect on this faith statement, teachers will provide opportunities for students to:

3a explore pictures the Bible uses to help people relate to God	3a investigate Bible stories of the friendship God initiates with people	3a explore the Christian belief that because God made all people in his image, people have a natural desire to be in relationship with God	3a investigate biblical examples of how God forms relationships with people
3b investigate the Christian belief that people are unique because they can relate to God	3b investigate ways people express their relationship with God	3b explore religion as an expression of people's desire to know God	3b investigate how religion responds to people's questions about their relationship with God and the meaning of life

Items in the LIFE Menus which follow are grouped according to Faith Statements and coded to Band-specific Goals, eg **(2a)** indicates an item related to **Band-specific Goal a**, under **Faith Statement 2**.