Youth Discussion Guide

Picture Perfect: For the week of April 5 - 11, 2020

Main Thought and Scripture:

A popular song right now is Justin Bieber's "Intentions." In it, Justin sings the lyrics "Picture-perfect, you don't need no filter. Gorgeous, make 'em drop dead, you a killer. Shower you with all my attention. Yeah, these are my only intentions" (Feel free to sing it out loud!). These lyrics were probably meant for his wife, but if we try to look at these lyrics through a godly perspective, we may be able to see that this is God's message to us; that we were made perfect and without need for a filter. With this in our hearts, we can be confident in who God made us to be.

"For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." (Psalm 139:13-14 NIV)

"So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." (Genesis 1:27 NLT)

He knew us in the womb before we were born. God also knew what we would be good at, what we were called to do, and created us accordingly. Find confidence in who God created you to be and not through the "filters" of the world.

Discussion Questions:

- How do you feel knowing that God made you in HIS image?
- What is one flaw you think you have? How do you think God can use that flaw to grow our faith and bless others?
- Filters cover up imperfections. What kinds of "filters" may you have used to cover your flaws?

Prayer:

- Continue to pray for the eradication of COVID-19.
- Pray that we would find a God-given confidence in how God created us to be.