Kidz World's Church at Home BRAVE!: God Knows Who I Am

FUN TIME: 'Guess Who' (All ages)

For this game you will need pictures, or the names of various people, things, and/or places cut out on separate pieces of paper. Turn them face down until a person is ready to pick one.

Split your children/family into two teams. The object of this game is to guess the person, etc. being described using only 3 clues. For example, one team member will pick up a picture. They will then give 3 clues to their teammates without using the name of what's on the picture. So they could say, "This is a fruit. It is yellow. It must be cut before eating." The other team gets 3 guesses. If they can not get it (*it's a pineapple*), the other team gets to guess one time. Whoever gets it correct, gets the points. The Team with the most correct guesses wins the game.

BIBLE TIME: That was a fun game trying to guess. You know what we don't have to try and guess about? Who we really are. God knows who we really are and He wants us to know too. Many times people are just trying to fit in with the crowd and do what's popular. They may be afraid to show others what they believe God has put tin their hearts. Today, we're going to start a series about being BRAVE. God has made us to be one of a kind. Once we find out who God has created us to be and do, we can be BRAVE.

Let's look at a Bible story that gives us a great example of someone that God knew and who was brave being the person God created him to be.

Use the Bible verses and questions below to discuss this with your children. For toddlers and preschoolers, simply share the answers to these questions with them as you read the Bible story. Keep it short and sweet for them \bigcirc .

- 1. **Read 1 Samuel 16:1-13.** Discuss how Samuel and Jesse thought each of Jesse's older sons would be God's choice for the next King.
- 2. Who did God choose as the next King?
- 3. What do people look at when deciding if someone is important?
- 4. What does God focus on when it comes to people?

REAL TIME: Read 1 Samuel 16:7 (NIRV). What does God mean by, 'what's in the heart'? Why is what is in a person's heart more important than how they look? God made you for a special purpose, just like He made David to be King. He knew David would love and obey him. He knew David would be brave and stand up to lions, bears and Goliath - even before David or anybody else knew it. God knew who David really was. God also knows who you are. You don't have to guess about who you are supposed to be. Ask God. When He tells you, own it and be brave being the YOU He created you to be. Let's pray.

<u>PRAYER TIME</u>: "Heavenly Father, thank you for creating me and knowing my strengths and everything else about me. Show me who You created me to be and help me be brave to walk in thatIn Jesus' Name, Amen!"

"...The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outside of a person. But the Lord looks at what is in the heart." ~ 1 Samuel 16:7 (NIRV)