

Choose your side!

Lesson Idea:

Isaiah 64:8

And yet, O LORD, you are our Father. We are the clay, and you are the potter. We all are formed by your hand.

This simple yet fun activity helps children see that the friends around them have some things in common, and at the same time other things that are completely different. Encourage them to celebrate their uniqueness because it is God, the creator of all, who knit them in their mother's wombs and has moulded them just as He has planned.

This lesson can also be used to highlight to children that God has made them with a choice. Although He loves them and wants to be our Father it is us who choose to be His child and follow Him. Give them the opportunity to make this choice today.

Items needed:

- Two marked out baselines on the opposite sides of the room
- List of comparisons

Game instructions:

1. Children choose a baseline to start on.
2. Read out the choices and the children decide which side of the room they want to stand on.
3. Have a variety of choices that can help you get to know your child as well as some super crazy ones to get them laughing. Indicate to go left or right for each item.
 - Go left if you choose pizza and right if you choose chocolate.
 - What super power do you prefer? Go left if you want to fly, go right if you want to be shape shifter.
 - If you could be a famous singer go left or a famous dancer go right. (get them to demonstrate)
 - Would you rather be a lazy house cat or a fierce tiger?

- Would you rather meet Noah or Moses from the Bible.
- Would you rather locusts and honey like John the Baptist or only vegetables like Daniel?
- Would you like to be strong like Samson or brave like David?

This game can be played with large groups, or even adapted for small play areas by simply getting the children to stand up and sit down depending on their choice.

