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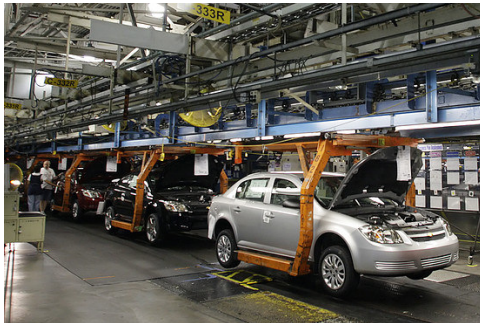
The next time you go to the store, school, or workplace, observe people. What a study in variety! We come in all shapes, sizes, and colours. Each has distinctive physical features—bushy eyebrows, stubby hands, a brawny build—the list goes on. And no two people have identical fingerprints. Truly every man, woman, and child is unique.

In Psalm 139, David praised his Creator and acknowledged that he was "fearfully and wonderfully made" (v.14) "and skilfully wrought" (v.15). So is each of us. Our Creator-God delights in our individuality. We don't have to envy others or feel inferior to them. Instead, we ought to express our uniqueness by serving God as only we can.

When we accept our place in the Creator's grand design, we see how good it is to be "one of a kind." –DJJ

*Of all creation's treasures rare,  
Not one compares in worth with man;  
In God's own image he was made  
To fill a place in His great plan. –DJJ*

**You are one of a kind—designed to glorify God as only you can.**



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## One Of A Kind

**I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. –Psalm 139:14**

While visiting a car factory several years ago, I noticed some huge stamping machines in a field next to the factory. They had been previously used to make car parts. I was told that they are kept for 10 years in case replacement parts are needed.

Unlike cars, human beings cannot be duplicated. When a person is





# Trusting God

## Accepting Yourself

In Psalm 139:13-16 we want to highlight two areas of our lives where we can find personal contentment:

### 1. Who God has \_\_\_\_\_ me,

Psalm 139:13-15

**(Job 10:8-11)** *"Your hands have made me and fashioned me, An intricate unity; ...*

**[10]** *Did you not pour me out like milk, And curdle me like cheese,*

**[11]** *Clothe me with skin and flesh, And knit me together with bones and sinews?"*

**(Psalms 119:73)** *"Your hands have made me and fashioned me; ..."*

**(Exodus 4:11-12)** *"So the LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes the mute, the deaf, the seeing, or the blind? Have not I, the LORD? {12} "Now therefore, go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall say.""*

**(John 9:1-3)** *"Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. {2} And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" {3} Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him."*

**(1 Corinthians 4:7)** *"For who makes you differ from another? And what do you have that you did not receive? ..."*

**(Matthew 25:14-15)** *"...For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. {15} "And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey."*

**(Matthew 25:20-23)** *"...So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides*

*them.' {21} "His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.' {22} "He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.' {23} "His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'"*

**(Matthew 25:26)** *"...But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, ..."*

**(Matthew 25:30)** *"...And cast the unprofitable servant into the*



*outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."*

**(1 Samuel 16:6-7)** *"So it was, when they came, that he looked at Eliab and said, "Surely the Lord's anointed is before Him." {7} But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.""*

**(Isaiah 53:2)** *".. He has no form or comeliness; And when we see Him, There is no beauty that we should desire Him."*

**(Isaiah 53:2)** *"..He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him." [paraphrase]*

### 2. What God has \_\_\_\_\_ for me, Psalm 139:16

**(Romans 9:20-21)** *"... Will the thing formed say to him who formed it, "Why have you made me like this?" {21} Does not the potter have power over the clay, ..."*

**(1 Corinthians 7:21)** *"Were you called while a slave? Do not be concerned about it; but if you can be made free, rather use it."*

**(Acts 16:6-10)** *"Now when they had gone through Phrygia and the region of Galatia, they were forbidden by the Holy Spirit to preach the word in Asia. {7} After they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit did not permit them. {8} So passing by Mysia, they came down to Troas. {9} And a vision appeared to Paul in the night. A man of Macedonia stood and pleaded with him, saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." {10} Now after he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go to Macedonia, concluding that the Lord had called us to preach the gospel to them."*

