what's in
this lesson...

IN OUR OWN WORDS SEX

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SEX ID a video discussion starter on how sexual identity is formed

NATURE NURTURE OF SOCIETY

NATURE, NURTURE, OR BOTH? case studies on environment and biology and their influence on human development

LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON a discussion starter on how families have helped form our sexual identity

WORD FROM GOD

GOD:THE BEFORE AND THE AFTER a Bible study on changes that come after conversion

THE LAST WORD

A NEW CREATION a discussion and writing activity on how we need God to continually transform us

IN OTHER WORDS

See page 43 for additional teaching activities

reflect

a moment...

Think about your sexual identity when you were eight years old.

Q: What did you believe it meant to be a woman?

Q: What did you believe it meant to be a man?

Fast-forward to age 15.

Q: How did your ideas about manhood change from childhood? What do you think influenced those changes?

Q: How did your ideas about womanhood change from childhood? What do you think influenced those changes?

Fast-forward to the present.

Q: List the most important things you believe contribute to authentic masculinity. How did you reach these conclusions?

Q: List the most important things you believe contribute to authentic femininity. How did you reach those conclusions?

Q: Are there things you believed as a child about your sexual identity that you no longer believe today? Spend some time thinking, writing, or talking with someone about that.

Q: Do you have unanswered questions about sexual identity? Spend some time thinking, writing, or talking with someone about that.

Q: If you had just one hour to talk with kids about sexual identity, what would you try to communicate?

• Why do you think that's so important?

· How would you try to communicate during that hour?

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