

FLAKES AND LOOPS TRY THIS ONE: DISCUSSION STARTER

Encourage teenagers to think about how God invites us to stand out from the crowd.

Pass around a bowl of corn flakes, and ask each student to select one flake. Ask: **How is the flake you've chosen descriptive of you?** Kids might give answers such as large, wrinkly, broken, tanned, short, uneven, or healthy. Make sure they take time to observe their flakes carefully, and then have them return their flakes to the bowl. Without them noticing, add a single piece of Froot Loops cereal and mix it in. Then have each student try to find his or her flake.

Ask: **Was it easy to find your flake? Why or why not? If you identified your**

flake, how were you able to do so? Did you notice anything different in the bowl this time? Why did the Froot Loop catch your eye?

Read aloud Romans 12:2. Ask: **How does God want us to stand out from the patterns of this world? What identifies us as followers of Christ? Is it hard for you to "fit in" with non-Christians? Why or why not? Why do you think God chooses to transform us over time instead of changing us immediately? How does this transformation help us better understand God's will?**

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