

**Our Devotion:** “What’s Wrong With Me?” by Lindsey Metzger of Indianapolis, Indiana, a professional writing student at Taylor University in Upland, Indiana.

“For it was You who created my inward parts; You knit me together in my mother’s womb. I will praise You because I have been remarkably and wonderfully made. Your works are wonderful, and I know this very well.” Psalm 139:13-14 (HCSB)

Introductions are the worst.

I’ve worked as a summer missionary at a Christian summer camp for the past three years, with this summer, hopefully, being my fourth. Each year, a month or two before we meet at camp, the missionaries introduce ourselves in an email to find others’ social media and exchange phone numbers. This year is no different.

So I start writing my response, at first grateful there are so many of us on staff. It’s been something I’ve been praying about for months and God pulled through. It began to take a turn as I described myself.

I wanted to talk about my writing and how God’s worked in my life through it, but I deleted most of it because I didn’t want to sound arrogant in an email about myself. As I got further down the page, I found myself apologizing for things I hadn’t done yet and for being as introverted as I am. I’m ashamed of who I am.

Self-confidence is something I’ve struggled with since I was 11. Whether it’s my appearance, my abilities as a student, even my writing, I have never felt good enough. The hardest lesson I’ve had to learn is that our value comes from God. We are priceless because we’re His creation. None of our imperfections stand in the way of this truth

Have you felt less than worthy lately? Find your worth in the Creator of the universe. Dive into God’s word and listen to what He has to say. Always remember: God loves you, and you are beautiful.

Prayer: Father, I know You created me in Your image. Thank you for your care, and help me to see my true worth through Your eyes. Amen.