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PARENT GUIDE

LESSON 3.3: DNA
SCRIPTURE: JOHN 1:1-5

SUMMARY:

We might think words are simply the building blocks for language. But the Greek word for word, *logos,* used at the beginning of John's Gospel, also means intelligence, rationality, and information. These verses imply that there is intelligence at the heart of all creation. God is rational, and so the entire universe is flooded with this rationality. And we see this everywhere.

This week's lesson compares the information found in our DNA to computer software. Each strand of DNA consists of billions of letters of code which must be aligned perfectly to function correctly. The probability of our DNA randomly forming the way that it has is impossibly small. The incredible biological information formed by our DNA requires a divine programmer. He is the Word, the Logos, through which all things were made.

CORE VERSES

For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well.

Psalm 139:13-14

CORE CONCEPTS

The information in DNA is best explained as the product of intelligent design.

DNA:
Carrier of all distinctive genetic information and qualities of a person

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

• Talk to me about the most interesting thing you learned from this week's lesson.

• How is God's design and the complexity of it a pointer to His intentionality and care for it?

• Where else do you see Scripture point to God's intentional design of His creation?

• Did this lesson impact the way you think about intelligent design? How?

• Describe your next steps based on what you've learned. How can I help?