

WEEK 1—Different Occupations

From teaching to engineering to ballet dancing to astronomy, there are tons of different occupations that people choose. Many occupations are based on interest and passion, and some on necessity, but everyone has a role to play.

If we think about people in the Bible, there were fishermen, tax collectors, rulers, tent makers, shepherds, and priests, just to name a few! And Jesus interacted with them all. He didn't think one occupation was more special than another because He knew that:

- 1) People are more than just their job title—we're human beings made in God's image first and foremost
- 2) We need people with different skills to do certain things—we wouldn't want a writer to fix the pipes when they burst!



So there are paid jobs, but there are also jobs for which people aren't paid. If we think of "occupation" as a role to play, then we all have multiple "hats" to wear ([watch the activity video for this week](#)). Maybe putting the dishes away is your job at home. Cleaning your bedroom is your "job," your responsibility. Being a good friend is also a job that's super important!

After watching and participating in the [videos on our YouTube page](#), chat about these questions as a family.

Questions:

- 1) What's the craziest job you think someone could have? Why?
- 2) Consider someone in your neighbourhood who has a different job than those in your family. What do you think it's like to have their job?
- 3) Everyone in your family has a role to play, whether they're in a paid job or not. What role does each of you play in your family? Talk about what would happen if someone didn't do their job.
- 4) Check out the following attachment to discover different jobs people had in the Bible.

Stay tuned for next week when we talk about different family structures.
