



## What makes you special?

**Well, first of all, you're the only person who is exactly like you.** Just as every snow-flake is different, and every drop of rain that falls is not exactly the same as all the others, and every blade of grass has a different story to tell, and out of millions of cats and dogs, each one has its own personality . . . so it is that, out of all the people on earth, there is no-one quite like you.

**And secondly, you will change the world in some way.** Everything you do and say will have some effect on the world. It may be the tiniest effect, but it will change things slightly. Like a stone thrown into a still pond, the ripples will spread outwards from your life, until they touch every part of the whole world.

**Thirdly, you are special because you are a human.** Animals are clever, and sometimes they do amazing things, but you know this is because of in-built wisdom, or instinct. You are not like that. You can *choose* what you do and what you don't do. You can *decide* to run or fight, work or laze about, eat or go hungry, laugh or cry, care or not care, love or hate . . . this gives you something which no animal ever had.

**And finally, you are special because God made you.** Yes its true. The Living God decided to make a person exactly like you, but He started a long time ago, by creating Adam and eve, the very first humans. They had children, and their children grew up and had children, and so on . . . Right up to today when you were born. You are here because God wanted you, and because He loves you. This makes you VERY special!

