

# EXPLORING God's Global Family

LESSON 4 **PART 2**  
**Mexico**  
Spiritual Emphasis: Prayer

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## Finishing the Journey

### Take It Deeper

Invite your child to read or listen to Leviticus 19:36; Proverbs 11:1; and Proverbs 16, especially 10-12.

- In Leviticus 19:36, God's words about making sure you weigh or measure a product honestly are very important. How might this be important in the business of growing coffee or tea? Who might be dishonest along the supply chain of producing coffee to sell? [Discuss how for every \$3 cup of non-fair-trade coffee sold, farmers receive only 2 cents.] \*
- In Proverbs 11:1 and chapter 16, God tells us about how to be wise and fair people. What are some of God's ideas about how we should treat others fairly at all times? How can you and your family treat people more fairly by purchasing fair-trade products when possible?
- In what ways does God want to help others know their value and worth to Him?
- Is it difficult to be honest with your friends and family all of the time? Why or why not? What are some reasons we might not always tell the truth? How can God help us to be honest with our friends and family?

### Give It Away

Action Plan:

- Take a look in your kitchen cabinet. Do you have an overload of coffee mugs? As a family, clean out your coffee mugs and perhaps donate them to your church or a homeless shelter to use in place of disposable paper or Styrofoam cups. This also helps take care of God's environment!

- Do you have a fellowship time or snack time at your church or during Vacation Bible School? Next time, stick around to clean up the cups people might have forgotten to throw out!
- Pray for the children around the world who are involved in child labor, and not treated fairly. Pray that more fair trade industries will help both women and men have opportunities to work in environments with the proper conditions, safety, pay, and so on.

## **Explore More!**

Eight Principles of Fair Trade:\*

- ① Creating jobs
- ② Caring for the environment
- ③ Capacity building
- ④ Paying a fair price
- ⑤ Giving women and girls the same opportunities as men and boys
- ⑥ Building sustainable long-term relationships
- ⑦ Supporting good working conditions
- ⑧ Educating people about fair trade and encouraging them to get involved.

\* From *Think Fair Trade First*, Ingrid Hess, Fair Trade Resource Network, 2010.

Websites: [www.tenthousandvillages.com](http://www.tenthousandvillages.com) ; [www.transfairusa.org](http://www.transfairusa.org)

## **Huichol [Wee-chol] Yarn Painting**



Isn't it great that you are part of God's story? He loves you and has many adventures ahead for you! The Huichol Indians from Mexico use yarn, scraps of wool, and beeswax to "paint" story-pictures of their lives. You can try it too!

### **Supplies**

- ✓ Yarn [or fabric] scraps
- ✓ Glue
- ✓ Cardboard or construction paper [about 5 inches x 5 inches]
- ✓ Scissors
- ✓ Ruler

### **Instructions**

- ① Draw a design that tells a story about you on your cardboard or construction paper.
- ② Cut the yarn into short and long lengths.
- ③ Squeeze glue onto the lines of your design.
- ④ Work from left to right and place the yarn on the lines of glue.