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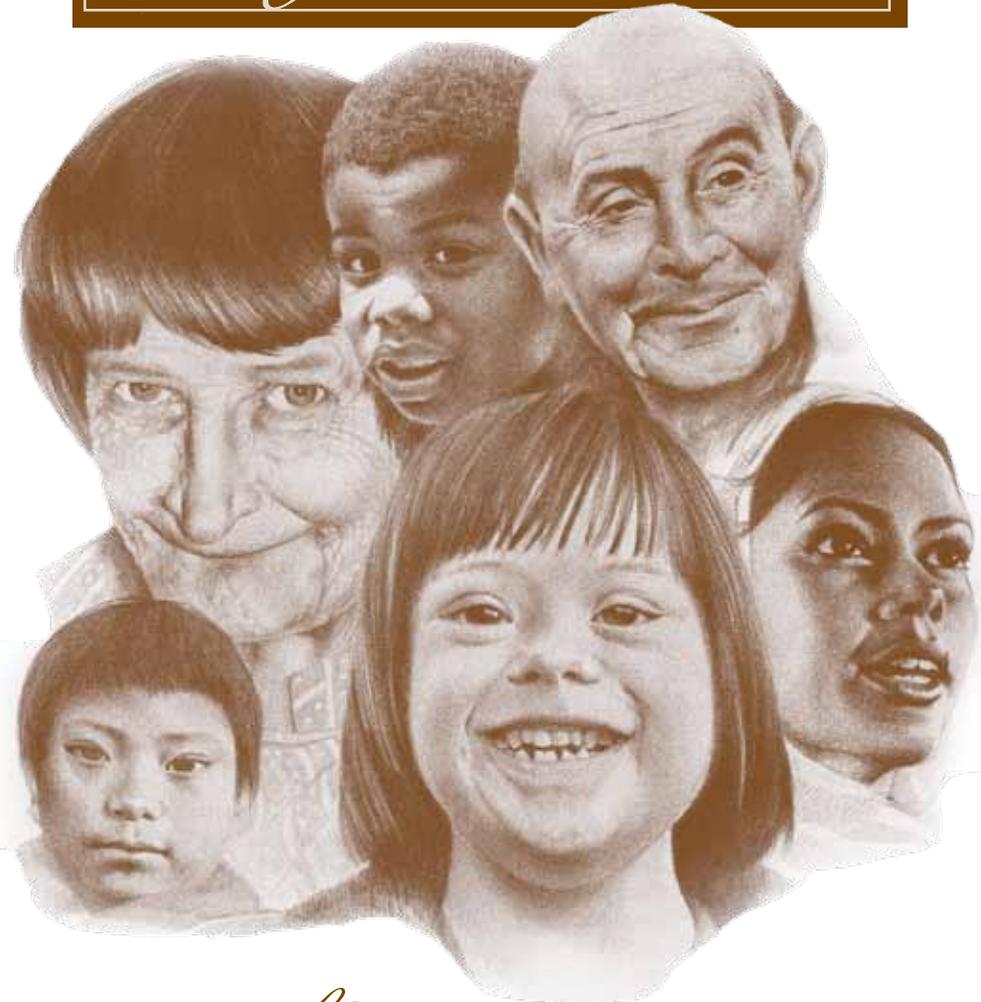
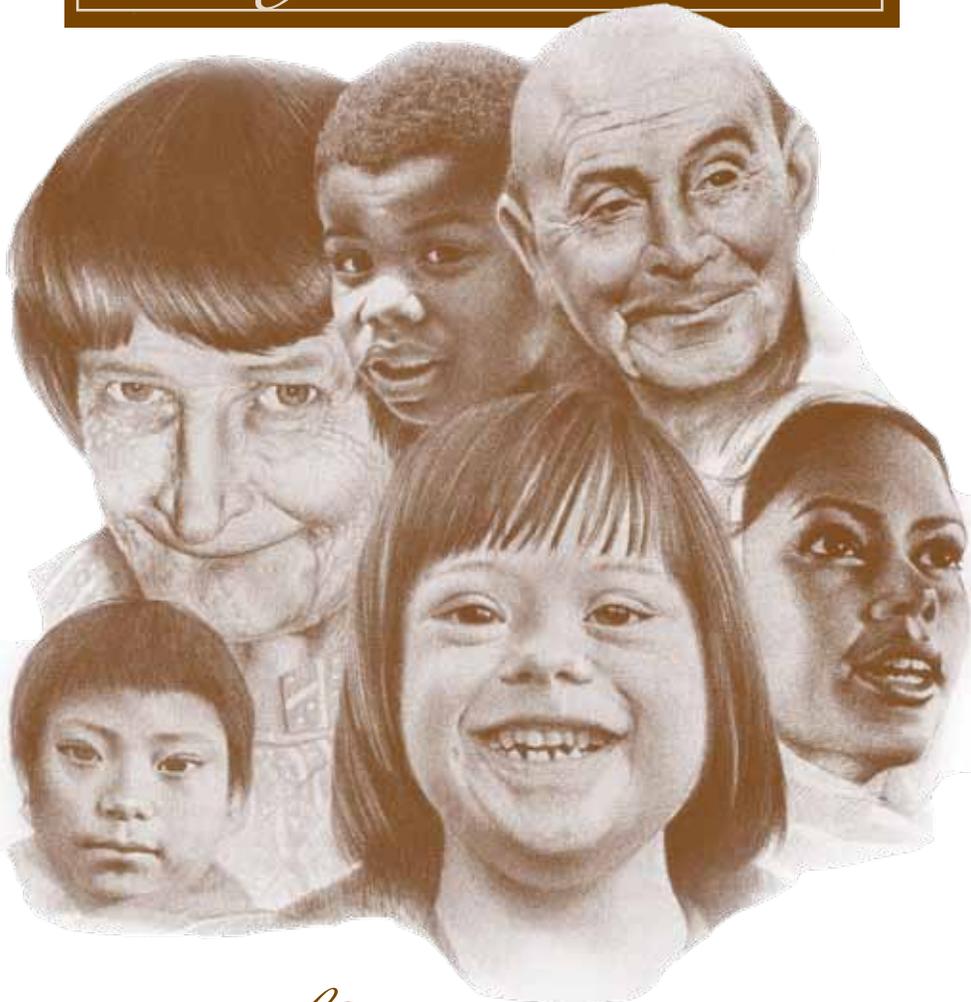
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If we tried to articulate the principle behind this scripture, it would be something like this: Every person has been made in the image of God, therefore, one must never violate the dignity and personhood of another.

Over the years we North Carolina Baptists have dedicated one Sunday a year to remind ourselves that God’s creative wonder is found in every person. It makes no difference if the person is deaf, blind, mentally challenged, or mobility impaired. We are all the children of God by His creative act. Special Education Sunday calls us back to this theological truth.

Can you imagine anyone so hard hearted that they could actually curse behind the back of a deaf person or put a block in front of a blind person causing them to fall? You probably cannot. However, sometimes in our churches we ignore the spiritual needs of those who have special needs. By doing so we fail to see the “image” in them and so deny them the opportunity to be children of God by recreation.

Perhaps your church would want to use this special emphasis Sunday to dedicate itself to Special Needs Ministry. Perhaps on this Sunday you might feel the Lord leading you personally into this type of service. If you are, we in the Special Ministry office of the Baptist State Convention would like to help you know how.

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