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Project topic(s): Children's understandings of social biases, essentialism, group norms

Brief description of scientific issues:

By understanding children's visual representation of God, we hope to learn if they view God as an in-group or out-group member. If children believe that God is an out-group member (e.g., if young Asian girls believe God is a White man), they may feel a subsequent distance toward God. This new knowledge is important for understanding how social concepts affect children's religion experiences, and how children's religion experiences affect their social concepts.

Skills required:

Ideal candidates will have an interest in developmental and/or social psychology and will enjoy working with children. They will also be friendly, reliable, and highly motivated. Previous experience working with children and completion of developmental and/or social psychology courses are preferred but not required.

Skills to be learned:

- Data collection
- Subject recruitment
- Coding and managing data