

**May Week 2**  
Backyard  
Scavenger Hunt

*May 8*

# CRAFT

## *Sun and Moon and Stars*

**SUPPLIES:** God saw everything Sun and Moon page, yellow crayons, star stamps, star stickers

### **What You DO and SAY:**

⇒ **Pass out Sun and Moon page and crayons/markers.**

- *“Friends, today in our true Bible story we learned that God created EVERYTHING! On Day 1 he created Light and separated the light from the darkness. On Day 2, he created the sky and the water.*
- *On Day 3, God created the land and the plants and the seas.*
- *And do you remember what God created on Day 4? Take a look at your picture and see. I see a sun and a moon! God created the sun and the moon and the stars on Day 4!*
- *But our picture is missing something! What is it missing? Stars!*

⇒ **Pass out star stickers.**

- *“First, I want you to use the crayons to color your sun and moon. Then, we are going to add stars all around our picture!”*

⇒ **Complete activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus**

- *“Great job, friends! These starry pictures look beautiful. And do you see what the words say in the center? Point to the words and I will read it to you – ‘God saw everything he had made. And it was very good.’ Genesis 1:31”*
- ***Who made everything?***
- ***God made everything!”***

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# ACTIVITY #1

## Scavenger Hunt

**SUPPLIES:** Clipboard with **YELLOW** things checklist in a sleeve protector, dry erase marker, **YELLOW** things items, wall tape

**SET-UP:** Use wall tape to hang **YELLOW** things items around the room

### What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Gather children for the activity.**

- *“Friends, come here with me! Let’s go on a scavenger hunt! A scavenger hunt is a game where we search all around the room for items on this scavenger hunt list.*
- *[Show children the clipboard] Hmmmmmm.....Let’s see. I see a lot of **YELLOW** things on this list! Let’s see if we can work together as a team to find all of these **YELLOW** things! Are you ready? Let’s search!”*

⇒ **Move from item to item as a group. When you find it, talk about what it is and then check it off your checklist.**

⇒ **Once you have found everything on the list have children join you on the floor to review the Bible story lesson to bring it back to Jesus.**

- *“That was so much fun finding all of the **YELLOW** things around the room! I love Scavenger hunts!*
- *Do you remember our true Bible story from today? I wonder why we were looking for things that were **YELLOW**. Do you remember anything God created that was **YELLOW**? The Sun! Yes!*
- *God created the sun and moon and stars on Day 4. Now let’s go all the way back to the beginning. In the VERY beginning there was nothing. But God was about to do something amazing. On the first day he said, “LET THERE BE LIGHT!” And God separated the light from the darkness. Then, on Day 2 God made the water and the sky up above.*
- *On Day 3 God made land and the plants and the seas! Amazing!*
- *Then on Day 4 God made the sun and the moon and the stars. And there were still more things to go! I can’t wait to see what is next!*
- **Who made everything? God made everything!**

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# **ACTIVITY #2**

## *Parachute*

**SUPPLIES:** Parachute, Earth stress balls

### **What You DO and SAY:**

- ⇒ **Have children form a circle around the parachute and each pick up a handle or corner.**
  - *“Friends, today in our true Bible story we learned that God created the WHOLE EARTH and EVERYTHING in it! Isn’t that amazing? God made everything!”*
  - *Join me around the parachute and grab onto a handle. We are going to play a fun game today to help us remember that God made the whole earth and everything in it!”*
  
- ⇒ **Show children the Earth balls. Toss them onto the parachute and let them shake the parachute until they all pop out.**
  - *“Look what I have here! It’s the Earth! Actually...it’s lots of Earths. I am going to put the earths on the parachute and then I want you to listen to my directions for how to shake the parachute.*
  
- ⇒ **Move the parachute fast, slow, high, low, etc! When all of the balls pop out, say...**
  - *Friends, who made everything?*
  - *God made everything!*
  
- ⇒ **Repeat as long as children are interested.**
  
- ⇒ **Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**
  - *“Friends, on Day 1 God said Let there be light! And he separated light from the darkness. Then, on Day 2 God created the water and the sky*
  - *On Day 3 God created the land and plants and trees. On Day 4 he created the Sun and Moon and Stars!! I can’t wait to see what he creates next. Friends, one thing I know is certain – everything God created is GOOD!*
  - *Tell me, who created everything?*
  - *God created everything!”*

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# ACTIVITY #3

*Memory Verse + Days of Creation Review!*

**SUPPLIES:** Days 1-4 Creation Pictures (Light/Dark, Sky, Water, Land, Plants, Sea, Sun, Moon)

## What You DO and SAY:

**This activity can be done from spots at the table or spaced out in the center of the room.** *“Friends! Today in our true Bible story we learned that God created EVERYTHING! God is so amazing!*

- Do you remember what God created on Day 1? Light! That’s right! And God separated the light from the darkness! [Hold up picture.] So when we see this picture we can remember that God created light and it was good!
  - Do you remember what God created on Day 2? God made the Sky! AND God also made Water! Wow! [Hold up each picture.]. He made the sky and water and they were both GOOD!
  - Do you remember what God created on Day 3? God made Land! And Plants! And the seas! [Hold up each picture.] He made the land and the plants and the seas and they were GOOD!
  - Do you remember what God created on Day 4? God made the Sun! And the Moon! And the Stars! [Hold up each picture.]. He made the Sun and the Moon and the Stars and they were GOOD!
- ⇒ **Do memory verse all together in a variety of ways and then bring is back to Jesus.**
- *“When we see all the things God made we can remember that they were all good! Just like our memory verse. Let’s practice saying our memory verse together: “God saw everything he had made. And it was very good.” Genesis 1:31*
    - *Now let’s try it...*
      - *Super loud/Super quiet*
      - *Really Fast/Really Slow*
      - *Jumping up and down*
      - *Running in Place*
      - *All the boys/All the girls*
      - *Kids only/Teachers only*
  - *“Nice work, my friends!*
  - ***Who made everything? God made everything!”***

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READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY  
MAY WEEK 2

## SANITIZE HANDS AND PASS OUT MOON SAND

### READ

⇒ *The Beginning*, The Beginner's Bible, p. 7

### REVIEW *(You may choose to pass out stickers as kids answer!)*

⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line

- **Who made everything?**  
**God made everything!**

⇒ Memory Verse

- **"God saw everything he had made. And it was very good." Genesis 1:31**

### CONNECT IT AND PRAY

⇒ "Today, we'll make a list of our favorite things that grow in the ground. It can be a tree, like an apple tree. It can be a flower, like a sunflower. It can be a vegetable, like a carrot. It can be any kind of tree, plant, or flower—it can even be a berry bush! God made all kinds of trees and plants and flowers! When I say your name, **tell me one thing that grows in the ground.**

- *Have each child share and write the ideas down on the board/paper.*

⇒ This is such a great list of things God made! Let's use our list when we pray. Let's fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**: "

- "Dear God, thank you for making the ground for things to grow in. Thank you for making the sun to help them grow. Some of our favorite things that grow in the ground are (read the list the children made). You are amazing, God, and we love you very much. In Jesus' name, amen."

# Attention Volunteers!

This is a special month! We are going to be sending home a miniature magnifying glass with each child so that they can search for all of the things God made and explore God's creation!

## Week 1

Tell each child they are getting this special gift and encourage them to explore God's creation with it!

*"Look at this special magnifying glass! It can help you search for things God made! And guess what friends? You get to bring it home! Now you can explore God's creation any time!"*

Put the parent note into the parent's hand and tell them what it is.

*"We are learning about God's creation this month! Your child got a magnifying glass today so that they can explore God's creation all around them!"*

## Remaining Weeks

Ask parents...

*"Did your child get a magnifying glass last week?"*

If not, hand them a magnifying glass and parent note explaining what it is.