

May Week 4
Garden
Scavenger Hunt

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CRAFT

God Made Me Handprint

SUPPLIES: God Made Me Page, Large ink pad, wet wipes

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Pass out God Made me Page**

- *“Today we learned even more about creation and what God made on day 6. God made animals and people like you and me!”*

⇒ **Help children cover their entire palm and fingers with ink. Then help them press it down on the center of the paper. Then clean hands with a wet wipe.**

- “God made each of us special and unique. Let’s place a special handprint in the middle of your paper. First, we are going to cover your hand with ink from the ink pad. Don’t worry – it washes right off! Now, let’s press you hand down on the middle of the paper. I’ll help you!
- Look at the awesome handprint.”

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

- “Let’s line up all of our handprints and look at them. Some handprints are similar size. Some are bigger and some are smaller. Just like you, your handprints are all different. God made you in a special way!
- God made everything in the entire world, but out of all of his creations, his children are his favorite. He looked at people and he said “you are very good.”
- ***Who made everything?***
- ***God made everything!***

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ACTIVITY #1

Scavenger Hunt

- SUPPLIES:** Clipboard with **ANIMALS and a MIRROR** things checklist in a sleeve protector, dry erase marker, **ANIMALS and a MIRROR**, wall tape
- SET-UP:** Use wall tape to hang 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] Hmmmmm....Let’s see. I see a lot of **ANIMALS** on this list! And something else, too...**a MIRROR**. Let’s see if we can work together as a team to find all of the **ANIMALS and a MIRROR**! 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 **ANIMALS** around the room! I love Scavenger hunts! Now tell me friends...why do you think we found a **MIRROR**? Because God made YOU! On Day 6 God created the animals and then he created people! God made humans in his image and likeness. Wow!!*
 - *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. On Day 5 God created the fish and the birds.*
 - *And then, on Day 6....God created all of the animals on land and he created man and woman! Wow!*
 - **Tell me, friends...Who made everything? God made everything!**

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ACTIVITY #2

Animal Dance

SUPPLIES: CD Player, Parkview Kids Worship CD

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Have children spread out around the room and dance.**
 - *“Friends, today in our true Bible story we learned that on Day 6 of Creation, God created the animals that walk on land.*
 - *I am going to push play on the music and I want you to dance. Then, when I pause the music, I want you to pretend to be an animal. Any animal you can think of!*
 - *Each time we do it you have to try to think of a different animal to be.*
 - *Are you ready? Let’s Dance!*

- ⇒ **Have children dance to the music. Pause the music.**
 - *“Let’s see and hear your animals! How fun!*
 - *Boys and girls, who made everything?*
 - *God made everything!”*

- ⇒ **Repeat as long as children are interested.**

- ⇒ *****2/3-year-old option – instead of having them choose their own animal each time, call out the same animal for everyone to be at the same time.**

- ⇒ **Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**
 - *“Friends, you have some awesome dance moves and you make amazing animals! God made all of the animals!*
 - ***Tell me, who created everything?***
 - ***God created everything!”***

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Read-Ask-Practice-Pray

Here are some ideas to try in a group or one-on-one.

2-year-olds are all at different stages of development! Some are ready to answer big questions and say the memory verse, while others aren't ready to talk yet. Even if they aren't ready to answer, they are listening!

READ A BIBLE STORY or STORY BOOK

- ⇒ *The Beginner's Bible*
 - "The Beginning" p. 7
 - "Adam and Eve" p. 14
- ⇒ *The 7 Days of Creation by MadDonald*
- ⇒ *The Creation Story by Ward*

ASK A QUESTION

Who made everything?
God made everything!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

"God saw everything he had made. And it was very good."

Genesis 1:31

SAY A PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for making me.
Thank you for loving me.
Thank you for sending Jesus to be my friend forever.
Amen.