

**August Week 1**

Garden

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# CRAFT

*Since Before the World Began*

**SUPPLIES:** 'God Made Me' Earth pages, large heart-cut out, people cut-outs, glue sticks, markers or crayons, EC Worship CD

*TIP: In younger classes, you may consider pulling out the blue and green crayons first to guide the children to color their earth with those colors.*

## What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Pass out the 'God Made Me' page and the crayons or markers.**

- *"Today we are doing a special craft. In our true Bible story today, we learned that God knew he was going to make us even before he created the earth. Wow! And when we sing 'Great Big God' we get to sing about the same idea. That song says – 'He's known me and he's loved me since before the world began.'"*
- *Let's start by coloring the world.*
- *Option: Play Great Big God while you are working.*

⇒ **Pass out the red heart stickers and have children stick them on top of the world.**

- *"God created you because he loves you so much. He knew you and he made you and he loves you! Let's put this heart on top of the world."*

⇒ **Pass out the person cut out.**

- *"Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!"*
- *"Now I want you to decorate this person to look like you! God made us each so differently. He made us all in a wonderful way!"*

⇒ **When kids are done coloring their person, give them a glue stick and have them glue the person on top of the heart.**

- *"Boys and girls – when I look around the room at each of you I see special, wonderful kids who were made by God! Let's put our people on top of the heart now."*

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

- *"Friends, before God created the world, he had a plan to make YOU! Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!"*

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# ACTIVITY #1

## *Heart and Earth Look & Find*

**SUPPLIES:** “Heart” and “Earth” stress balls

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

- ⇒ **Scatter or hide the hearts and earths around the room. Hold on to one of each and hold them up in your hands.**
  - *“Boys and Girls, what do I have here in my hands? That’s right! A heart and the earth. Did you know that God knew he was going to make you before he even created the world? He loves you that much! Let’s see if we can find all of the hearts and the earths as quickly as we can!”*
  
- ⇒ **Have children collect all of the stress balls.**
  - *“Great work everybody! God made you and he loves you. The bible says you are fearfully and wonderfully made. Let’s say that memory verse from the bible again together –*
  - *I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14*
  
- ⇒ **Repeat as long as children are interested.**
  
- ⇒ **Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**
  - *“I am so glad that God made you. God made me and he made you – and he made is in a wonderful way because he loves us!*
  - *Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!*
  - *Let’s say our memory verse together one more time! I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14”*

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## **ACTIVITY #2**

*Made by God Roll the Dice*

**SUPPLIES:** “Movements” and “Parts” dice

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

⇒ **Gather the children in an open area of the room.**

- *“Boys and girls, take a look at this super cool dice! On this one, you see pictures of different body parts. On this one, you will see words of different movements. Each of you will have a turn to roll the dice to perform the movement with that body part. Are you ready?”*

⇒ **Let each child take a turn rolling the dice. Name the body part and the movement displayed on the top of the dice. Ask all of the children to do that movement with that specific body part.**

- *“Your bodies are wonderfully made by God! Every part of you was!”*

⇒ **Allow every child to roll the dice and perform the movements.**

- *“God made each of us so special! It’s so much fun to move our bodies that God made!”*

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

- *“Friends, God made our bodies to do wonderful, amazing things.*
- *Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!”*

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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 Bible

○ *The Beginner's Bible: The Beginning, page 7-13*

⇒ GodMade Us All: A Book about Big and Little (Frolic First Faith)

### **ASK A QUESTION**

Who made you wonderful?

God made me wonderful!

### **PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE**

"I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Psalm 139:14

### **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.