

October Week 2

Garden

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CRAFT

Making Rainbows

SUPPLIES: Rainbow Guide, Sheets of red, yellow, green, and blue dot stickers. Optional: dot markers

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Begin by passing out the rainbow guide.**

- *“In our true Bible story today, God made something very special in the sky. Do you remember what God made? Yes! God made a rainbow! I have a rainbow to give you, but something is missing. Can you tell me what is missing?”*
- *Yes! The colors are missing!”*

⇒ **Demonstrate how to place the dot sticker on the circle. Point out the guide for them to place the right color in the right row.**

Note: Sometimes it helps to peel the backing off the sticker paper so they can pull the stickers off more easily.

- *“There is one dot at the start of each color, and we’ll make a rainbow with these stickers. If you see a red dot on your paper, put a red sticker on it. If you see a blue dot on your paper, put a blue sticker on it. If you see a green dot on your paper, what color sticker should you put on it? (Pause.) Yes, a green sticker! Then follow that same color all the way around the rainbow in that row.”*

⇒ **OPTION:** If you have a younger group of children and a very young class (little fingers!) and would prefer to try dot makers you are welcome to.

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

- *“Your rainbows look beautiful! God said that every time there is a rainbow in the sky, He will remember His promise to never cover the whole world with water again. God’s promises are a part of his plans. And God has plans for you!”*
- ***Who has plans for you? God has plans for me!”***

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ACTIVITY #1

Sink or Float

SUPPLIES: Hand towel, Plastic tub, pitcher for water, a variety of toys that will either sink or float (including a plastic boat that floats)

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Gather children around the floor or table where they can all see the pitcher (this may work best in a station for larger classes so everyone can see). Fill the bin with enough water so that the floating toys can float.**
 - *“Friends come sit with me! Today in our true Bible story we learned about all of the people and animals that floated in the ark on the water. Let’s play a fun game and see what we have that floats!”*
- ⇒ **Pick one item at a time and ask the children – do you think this will sink or float?**
 - *“There is only a little water in our tub, but I wonder – will these toys sink or float? Let’s try one out at a time and see!”*
- ⇒ **Refill pitcher and add some more water to the tub.**
 - *“I wonder – if we add a little more water do you think the things in the tub will still float? Let’s see!”*
 - *Yes! They did! No matter how much water we add they will just float higher and higher!”*
- ⇒ **Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**
 - *“In our Bible story today we heard about the amazing ark that Noah built. And when it rained and rained the water got higher and higher and stayed afloat. God had a big plan for Noah and his family and he has plans for you, too!”*
 - ***“Who has plans for you? God has plans for me!”***

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ACTIVITY #2

Rainbow Mini Golf

SUPPLIES: 3 Rainbow pages, 3 golf clubs, golf balls, wall tape, floor tape, chairs

SET-UP: Tape the rainbows to the chair legs to create a mini golf station. Do this at 3 different places around the room. Tape a line on the floor to create a spot for children to putt their ball from.

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ **Have children join us at the first rainbow. Show them how to stand at the tape line and putt the ball into the rainbow.**
 - *“Let’s play a game of golf! There are several rainbows around the room. We are going to play rainbow golf! Let’s start here. We are going to go one at a time. Put your ball at the tape line and putt it under the rainbow. You can hit the ball until it goes in.*
 - *A few reminders! We only need to give our putter a very gentle swing to hit it in! And let’s all step back and stay clear of the golfer!*

- ⇒ **Have children work their way through each station and hit each ball in.**

- ⇒ **NOTE: If you have a large class, consider just breaking up into 2 to 3 groups and having each volunteer take a group and play. Each child can go a few times.**

- ⇒ **Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.**
 - *“Rainbows are special! God says that every time there is a rainbow in the sky, He remembers His promise to us.*
 - *God had plans for Noah, and God has plans for you, too! God loves us so we can trust God’s plans for us.*
 - ***Who has plans for you? God has plans for me!”***

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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: Noah's Ark, p. 26*

ASK A QUESTION

Who has plans for you?

God has plans for me!

PRACTICE THE MEMORY VERSE

"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord."

Jeremiah 29:11

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.