

“God Made Everything”

Toddler / Preschool Lessons on Creation

This lesson plan will help toddlers and preschoolers learn about the Days of Creation. Our aim is to help younger children begin to understand the nature and power of God. The target age group is 18-24 months, but you could modify these outlines to fit your teaching setting. We recommend using this same material over the course of 4 weeks to help toddlers learn through repetition.

Bible Passage: Genesis 1

Bible Lesson Title: God made everything! God made you!

Target Age Group: Toddlers, age 18-24 months

Original Teaching Context: Toddler Sunday School or Nursery

Supplies: Bible. See additional activities for other supplies and preparation. You can also download any of our free coloring pages about creation to accompany this lesson plan.

With toddlers, you want to keep your lesson simple. If your class is able, get them to sit together on floor in front of you. Hold up your Bible.

SAY: The Bible is God’s Word. The Bible tells us that God made everything! He spoke and all things were made! God made everything! God made you! (Repeat three times.) The following activities are designed to reinforce the simple Scripture truth, encourage their development, and engage their imaginations and creativity. Choose the ones that will work best for your classroom.

Learning Activities:

“God Made You” SAY and DO: God made everything! God made you!

God made your eyes. Where are your eyes?

God made your nose. Where is your nose?

God made your mouth. Where is your mouth?

God made your tongue. Where is your tongue?

God made your ears. Where are your ears?

God made your hair. Where is your hair?

(Continue as long as they are interested-hands, fingers, feet, toes, belly, knees, etc.)

God made everything! God made you!

God Made our Families

SUPPLIES: Pictures of families (this would work great with actual pictures of your toddlers families if available. Instead of just saying “God made mommies”, you would say “God made _____’s mommy.”)

DO: Hold up picture of a family.

SAY: God made everything! God made our families.

DO: Point to each person in the family and describe them: This is a mommy. God made mommies! This is a daddy. God made daddies! This is a brother. God made brothers! This is a sister. God made sisters! This is a baby. God made babies! God made everything! God made our families.

God Made Our Hands; God Made Texture

SUPPLIES: Items with texture-cotton balls, bark, shells, silky fabric, fuzzy blanket, etc. Place the items in two or three bins for your toddlers to explore.

DO: Encourage the children to explore the bins of these various items.

SAY: God made everything! God made our hands to feel. What do you feel?

DO: Pick up each item and help them describe it. Example: This is a cotton ball. God made your hands to feel! How does the cotton ball feel in your hands? (soft, fluffy) God made things soft! Repeat with each item.

God Made Colors

SUPPLIES: Big pitcher or soda bottle filled $\frac{3}{4}$ with water-pour a layer of vegetable oil on top (1 to 2 inches), food coloring.

SAY: God made everything! God made colors! Watch what we can do with color!

Do: Drop a couple of drops of each color into the pitcher in this order: yellow, red, green, blue. Do not drop green or blue until after red and yellow have begun to drop through the oil or they will drop too quickly and cloud up the water.

SAY: Wow! Colors are beautiful! God made colors! God made everything!