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CRAFT I Am Helpful

SUPPLIES: I am helpful page, markers or crayons

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ Pass out I Am Helpful pages.

- "Today we learned that you were created in God's image. God is a helper! He is always there to help when we need Him. He made us to be helpers, too!
- "What do you see on this page? That's right! A hand! God made you with two helping hands. While you decorate your hand, I want you to think about ways that you can be a helper. We are going to come around and write down your idea for how to be a helper!"
- ⇒ Go around the room and ask each child how they can be a helper. Write down their answer for them.
 - o "How can you be a helper? That's a great idea! You are such a good helper! God made you to be so helpful just like Him!

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

- o "Friends, I loved hearing all the ways that you can be helpers. God made you to be helpful just like Him! You are so wonderful!
- o Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!

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ACTIVITY #1 Mirror, Mirror

SUPPLIES: Handheld mirror

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ Gather children in a circle in the center of the room.
 - "Every time you look in the mirror, I want you to remember something God made you wonderful! So, when you see yourself in the mirror you can think of our memory verse!"
 - We are going to practice our memory verse as we look in the mirrors today."
- ⇒ Pass the mirror around the circle. Have each child hold the mirror. Prompt them or help them say the memory verse.
 - "When you hold the mirror, look at yourself and say your memory verse. We will help you if you need it!
 - o I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14"
- ⇒ Repeat until each child has had a turn.
- ⇒ OPTION: You can turn the music on and play it as a game of hot potato. When the music stops, have the child holding the mirror say the memory verse.
- ⇒ Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.
 - "Every time you look in the mirror, I want you to remember that God you in a wonderful way!
 - o I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Psalm 139:14"

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ACTIVITY #2

Wonderfully Made Dance Party

SUPPLIES: Scarves and instruments, EC Worship Cd: Great Big God or

Everybody Sing

What You DO and SAY:

- ⇒ Gather the children in an open area of the room.
 - "Boys and girls, you are wonderfully made by God! I want you to pick a scarf or an instrument and we are going to dance and sing about how our Great Big God made us!"
- ⇒ Option: Freeze Dance
 - o "Who made you wonderful? God made me wonderful!"
- ⇒ Complete the activity and then Bring it Back to Jesus.
 - "Friends, God made our bodies to do wonderful, amazing things. God gave you hands to hold your scarves and instruments, arms to wave them back and forth or shake or tap them, your mouths to sing, and your whole bodies to dance! See what I mean? You are wonderful!
 - 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
 - o The Beginner's Bible: The Beginning, page 7-13
- ⇒ God Made 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.