

August Week 4

Backyard Stack it Up

August 27th

CRAFT

Creation Wheel

SUPPLIES:

God's Creation Earth, God's Creation Days, green and blue markers, crayons, fastening brad

What You DO and SAY:

⇒ **Pass out the Earth and green and blue markers.**

- *"I love the story of how God created the entire world and everything in it. Friends, let's make a craft showing all the things that God made!"*
- *First, let's take the Earth and color it to make it look like our world. The green represents the land, and the blue represents the water."*

⇒ **Pass out the Creation Days circle.**

- *"Now let's color the days of creation! On day one, we learned that God made the light and the dark. Do you see the number 1 and light and dark? Color it!"*
- *On day 2, God made the sky and water. Do you see the number two with the sky and water? Let's color it!"*
- *On Day 3, God made the land and the plants and the seas. Find the number 3 and color that day.*
- *On Day 4, God made the sun and the moon and the stars. Find number 4 and color the sun and moon and stars!"*
- *On Day 5, God made the birds and the fish. Find number 5 and color it!"*
- *On Day 6, God made the animals and people. Find the final picture and color it!"*
- *And do you see what the final part of the circle says? Those words say, "God looked at everything he had made, and it was very good. And after that, God rested! Now, let's stack your circles together and I will help you attach them with a brad."*

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

- *"Great job, friends! These wheels are amazing. And now you can retell the story at home to your family and friends."*
- **Who made everything?**
- **God made everything!"**

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ACTIVITY #1

Creation Search

- 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] Hmmmmmm.....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

Dance and Rest

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 God created everything on days one through six, and then on day 7 God rested.*
- *So we are going to do the same thing! I am going to push play on the music and I want you to dance. Then, while you are dancing I am going to count through the days of creation 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 6.....And when I shout Day 7 I will pause the music and everybody needs to lay down and rest.*
- *Are you ready? Let’s Dance!*

⇒ **Have children dance to the music. Count. Pause the music.**

- *“God created everything on Days 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 – 5 – 6 (PAUSE MUSIC) 7! On Day 7 God rested! Everybody rest!*
- *“And God looked at everything he had made, and it was very good.”*
- *Now let’s dance!*

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

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

- *“Friends, you have some awesome dance moves!*
- ***Tell me, who made everything?***
- ***God made everything!”***

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ACTIVITY #3

Memory Verse + Days of Creation Review

SUPPLIES: Days 1-6 Creation Pictures (Light/Dark, Sky, Water, Land, Plants, Sea, Sun, Moon, Fish, Birds, Animals, and People)

What You DO and SAY:

This activity can be done from spots at the table or spaced out in the center of the room.

- Do you remember what God created on Day 1? Light! That's right! And God separated the light from the darkness! [Hold up picture.] So when we see this picture we can remember that God created light and it was good!
- Do you remember what God created on Day 2? God made the Sky! AND God also made Water! Wow! [Hold up each picture.]. He made the sky and water and they were both GOOD!
- Do you remember what God created on Day 3? God made Land! And Plants! And the seas! [Hold up each picture.] He made the land and the plants and the seas and they were GOOD!
- Do you remember what God created on Day 4? God made the Sun! And the Moon! And the Stars! [Hold up each picture.]. He made the Sun and the Moon and the Stars and they were GOOD!
- Do you remember what God created on Day 5? God made the fish to swim in the water and the birds to fly in the air! [Hold up each picture.] He made the birds and the fish and they were GOOD!
- Do you remember what God created on Day 6? God made all of the animals that live on land and PEOPLE! [Hold up each picture.] Amazing!
- And hmmm....I don't see a picture of anything God created for Day 7. Do you remember what God did on Day 7? That's right – he rested!

Do memory verse all together in a variety of ways and then bring is back to Jesus.

- *"When we see all the things God made we can remember that they were all good! Just like our memory verse. Let's practice saying our memory verse together: "God saw everything he had made. And it was very good." Gen 1:31*
 - *Now let's try it...*
 - *Super loud/Super quiet, Really Fast/Really Slow, Jumping up and down, Running in Place, All the boys/All the girls, Kids only/Teachers only*
 - *"Nice work, my friends!"*
 - ***Who made everything? God made everything!"***

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READ, REVIEW, CONNECT IT, & PRAY
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PASS OUT MOON SAND

READ

- ⇒ *The Beginning*, The Beginner's Bible, p. 7
- ⇒ *Adam and Eve*, The Beginner's Bible p. 14

REVIEW *(You may choose to pass out stickers as kids answer!)*

- ⇒ Key Question and Bottom Line
 - **Who made everything?**
God made everything!
- ⇒ Memory Verse
 - **"God saw everything he had made. And it was very good." Genesis 1:31**

CONNECT IT AND PRAY

- ⇒ "Today, we'll make a list of our favorite thing that God made. It can be anything in the whole, wide world because God made everything! When I say your name, **tell me your favorite thing God made.**
 - *Have each child share and write the ideas down on the board/paper.*
- ⇒ This is such a great list of things God made! Let's use our list when we pray. Let's fold our hands and bow our heads and **pray**: "
 - "Dear God, You are SO awesome! You made the whole world and everything in it! And it is all so very good! Thank You for making *(read the list the children made)*. These are some of our favorite things that You made. Help us stop, rest, and look at the wonderful world You made for us to live in. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."