

Pleasant Valley Church of Christ

Lesson 1 God Made Me

Scripture

Genesis 1:1-31

Themes

God made me, God made the world, thankfulness for all that God has made.

Resources

Play-N-Worship Read and Share Bible The Beginner's Bible



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BIBLE STORY for Younger Toddlers

Read the Creation story from a child-friendly Bible or use the Story Picture and directions from the Play-N-Worship handout.

Pray-Thank God for all the wonderful things He created!

BIBLE STORY for Older Toddlers

Read the Creation story from a child-friendly Bible or use the Story Picture and story from the Read and Share Bible handout.

Say: God made everything. God made you. God made me.

Talk about the things in the story picture. As you and your child name the things God made, have your child touch their hand to their lower lip and motion out (the American Sign Language sign for "thank you").

Say together: Thank you, God, for making (created thing)!

Say: God made all of us. God loves all of us. Thank you, God, for (child's name).

Pray-Thank God for all the wonderful things He created!

BIBLE STORY

BIBLE STORY for Younger Toddlers

Have your child sit in front of you with the Story Picture covered.

Say: A long time ago, everything was dark. But then God made the world. Show the Story Picture.

Say: God made everything. God made you. God made me. Talk about the things you see in the Story Picture. As you name each created thing teach your child to touch his/her hand to his/her lower lip and motion out (the American Sign Language sign for "thank you").

Say together: Thank you God, for [creature's name]!

Than say: God made all of us. God love us. Thank you, God, for [child's name]!



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BIBLE STORY for <u>Older</u> Toddlers

The Beginning-God Made the World

As told in the Read and Share* Bible based on Genesis 1:1-31

In the beginning God made heaven and earth. At first it was empty and dark. But God gathered up the light and called it day. Then He gathered up the darkness and called it night. God was watching over everything.

On day two God divided the air from the water. He put some water above the air and some below it. He named the air sky.

On day three God was busy. He made puddles and oceans and lakes and waterfalls and rivers. He made the dry ground too. Next He made plants. He made so many different kinds of trees, flowers, and bushes, that no one could count them all. God said His work was good.

On day four God put the sun in the sky to warm the earth. He saw that the night was very dark, so God put the moon and the stars in the sky. Then God made spring, summer, fall, and winter. All that He made was good.

On day five God made starfishes, octopuses, whales, and turtles. He made fast little fish for rivers and slippery big fish for the ocean. He made big birds like eagles to soar in the sky and zippy little birds like hummingbirds. He made birds in all shapes, sizes, and colors.

On day six God made the animals—puppies, cows, horses, kitties, bears, lizards, mice, worms, and lots more. Everything was good. But something was still missing. There were no people. So God made some. And when He made them, He made them like Himself. He made them so they could be friends with Him.

This reading is found in the Read and Share® Bible, pages 2-13.

The Read and Share* Bible is a wonderful resource for your curriculum and may be found at your local Christian bookstore.



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Choose from the activities listed below or use your own fun ideas to reinforce the Bible lesson.

Animal Play

Gather stuffed animals and Encourage your child to make the sounds each animal makes. Ask: Which animals do you like? Say: God made all kinds of animals! God made everything. God made you and me, and He loves us!



As your child plays with dolls or action figures, point out the different parts of the body. You might say: This giraffe has strong legs. You have strong legs, too. Thank you, God, for making our legs.



Pass, roll, or bounce a ball with your child. As you do, hold up another ball in your hand and say: These balls are like our world, our moon, and our sun. God made the world, the moon, and the sun. God made you! God made me! God made everything!



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Choose from the activities listed below or use your own fun ideas to reinforce the Bible lesson.



Say: God made everything. God made each of us. God loves us very much!

Suggested songs:

He's Got the Whole World in His Hands, God Made the Big, Round Sun, Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star, and Jesus Loves Me.



Let your child scribble color the animal color sheet. He/she can also add provided stickers. Talk about the wonderful things God made.



Go for a walk and point out things God made. Say: God made the world, the moon, and the sun. God made you! God made me! God made everything!

Older toddlers can watch The Read and Share Bible-The Beginning on YouTube or other videos



