



CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO CREATE
an activity that allows preschoolers to review the Bible story, bottom line, or memory verse by creating a craft to take home



1. LEAF RUBBINGS

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Leaf Rubbings" Activity Page, copy paper, real or faux leaves in various shapes and sizes, crayons, and a pen

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Leaf Rubbings" on copy paper, one per child. Separate leaves if necessary. Write each child's name on their paper.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Ask children to pick a leaf and lay it on the table. Cover the leaf with their paper and show them how to do a leaf rubbing by rubbing the side of the crayon over the paper that is on top of their leaf. Let them repeat with different leaves and different colors if desired. Review the motions as you say the verse. Encourage the kids to join you as you say the verse and do the motions again.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Talk about how God made everything, even the leaves on the trees, and it was good.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, join me at the table. We're going to do something neat with these leaves today."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Everyone, pick a leaf and lay it on the table. Lay a piece of paper over it. Take a crayon and rub it over your paper like this. (Demonstrate.) Now you try. Pick another leaf and a different color of crayon if you like. Do a few more in any color you want. (Pause.) Look how cool the leaves are! God made each and every leaf on each and every plant and tree."

"Let's say our memory verse. First, listen and watch me as I say our memory verse. 'God (hold open palm with thumb to forehead and pull down) saw everything he had made. (Two fingers under eye, push forward) And it was very good,' (thumbs up) Genesis 1:31. (Open hands like a book.)"

"Now, let's do it together. 'God (hold open palm with thumb to forehead and pull down) saw everything he had made. (Two fingers under eye, push forward) And it was very good,' (thumbs up) Genesis 1:31. (Open hands like a book.)"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Great job! **God made everything!** And it was good. **Who made everything? God made everything.**"

BIBLE STORY

On days three and four, God made the land, plants, and seas, and the sun, moon, and stars.

**LAND, PLANTS, AND SEAS
AND SUN, MOON, AND STARS
GENESIS 1:9-19**

MEMORY VERSE

"God saw everything he had made.
And it was very good."

GENESIS 1:31, NIRV

KEY QUESTION

Who made everything?

BOTTOM LINE

God made everything.

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.



WEEK
TWO
AUGUST 2023

SMALL GROUP
3-5 YEAR
-OLDS

PRELUDE SOCIAL WORSHIP STORY GROUPS HOME

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MADE TO REFLECT

an activity that encourages personal application and prayer



6. JOURNAL AND PRAYER

[PRAY TO GOD | PRAYER ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Memory Verse Card" from Week One in Bible, journal, and a fun-shaped pen

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Now let's sit down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. "When God made trees and plants, He made some of them grow food like (*name some preschool-friendly food*). Mmm . . . yummy in my tummy! Let's make a list of foods that grow on trees and plants in our prayer journal! (*Remember to print as you write in the journal so the children can recognize their names and the letters.*)

"I love all of the foods on our list. Let's pray and thank God for making them because they are very good! Would anyone like to pray before I pray?" (*Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.*)

PRAYER

"Dear God, thank You for making so many trees and plants to grow yummy foods we can eat like . . . (*read the list the children made*). You are so good, God, and You make very good things. We love You! In Jesus' name, amen."

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