



CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO MOVE

an activity that uses a preschooler's natural desire to move to help them learn



1. STACKED

[HEAR FROM GOD | MEMORY VERSE REVIEW]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Stacked" Activity Page, copy paper, scissors, plastic cups, and clear tape

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Stacked" on copy paper and cut, one set per small group. Tape each picture to a cup.

cup.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Review the memory verse and motions with the children. Place the cups in random order on the floor or table in the activity area. Say the memory verse slowly as you stack the cups with the corresponding words/motions on them. The beginning of the verse will be on the bottom of the stack and the end of the verse will be on top. Scatter the cups and repeat the activity.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Review the Bottom Line as you talk about all the things God made.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, come over here with me, and let's stack it up as we review our memory verse."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's do the motions as we say our memory verse 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.) Awesome Job!

"Now, let's stack our memory verse! These cups have our memory verse on them. Let's say it together and stack it up! (Stack the corresponding cup with each word or phrase you say.) 'God saw everything he had made. And it was very good,' Genesis 1:31. Wow! Look how high our memory verse is! (Knock down the cups). Let's do it again!" (Continue as long as time and interest allow.)

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "We've been learning that God made so many amazing and wonderful things like the sun, moon, and stars, and the clouds in the sky, the flowers and trees, and the sea animals and the birds. But that's not all God made. **God made everything! Who made everything? God made everything!"**

BIBLE STORY

On day five, God made the sea animals and birds.

**SEA ANIMALS AND BIRDS
GENESIS 1:20-23**

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.



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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

BIBLE STORY

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Now let's sit back down so we can write in our prayer journal and talk to God. *(Sit down with the children and pick up the journal pen.)*

"Fish are one of the sea animals God made. Did God make one color fish and one color bird OR did God make fish and birds in all kinds of colors? *(Pause.)* YES! God made fish and birds in all kinds of colors! Let's make a list of our favorite colors of fish and birds in our prayer journal. When I say your name, tell me your favorite color of fish or bird. *(Remember to print as you write in the journal so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)*

MEMORY VERSE

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"Look! *(Hold up journal.)* We made a list of so many wonderful colors of fish and birds. Let's thank God for all of them! Would anyone like to pray before I pray?" *(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)*

PRAYER

"Dear God, You are SO creative! You made so many colorful fish and birds. Some of our favorite colors are *(read the list the children made)*. Help us remember that You made everything every time we see a fish or a bird. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

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