



CREATING A SAFE PLACE TO CONNECT
25 MINUTES

MADE TO THINK

an advanced activity specifically designed for older preschoolers



3. THINGS GOD MADE HIDDEN PICTURE

[LIVE FOR GOD | APPLICATION ACTIVITY]

WHAT YOU NEED: "Things God Made Hidden Picture" Activity Page, cardstock, and washable markers

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Things God Made Hidden Picture" Activity Page on cardstock, one per child. Set the markers and pages on the table.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Encourage the children to search for the items they see on the key at the bottom of the page and circle or color them. Make sure each child's name is on their paper and set aside for pick-up.

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: Name the items the children circled and how each of those things is a good gift from God.

WHAT YOU SAY:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: "Friends, find a spot at the table. I have a hidden pictures activity for us to work on today."

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Let's see if we can find some things hidden on the page. (Pause.) Do you see the key at the bottom of the page? (Pause.) Those items are hidden within the picture. When you find each one, circle or color it. (Pause.) Did you find something? (Pause.) Great job! Keep searching! (Pause.) Do you need help finding one of the items? (Pause.) Let's help each other. (Pause.) Super-duper!"

AFTER THE ACTIVITY: "Name one of the items you found. (Pause.) [Item's name] is a gift from God. What else did you find? (Pause.) [Item's name] is a gift from God, too. All of these things you found are good gifts that God made! All good things come from who? (Pause.) Yes, they come from God! He is so, so good! When I ask, 'Who is good?', I want you to say, 'God is good.' Who is good? God is good."

BIBLE STORY

I can thank God for God is good.

**EVERY GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT
JAMES 1:17; GENESIS 1**

MEMORY VERSE

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good."

PSALM 107:1, NIV

KEY QUESTION

Who is good?

BOTTOM LINE

God is good.

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" Activity Page; cardstock; scissors; 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. (*Hold journal and fun-shaped pen.*) Today, we'll make a list of things God made. We can use our list to thank God when we pray. So when I say your name, tell me one thing that God made.

(Write down what each child says beside their names. Remember to print so the children can recognize their names and the letters.)

"This is a great list! I'm going to add a few more things that God made. (*Say each child's name as you add it to the things God made.*) There! I'll thank God for making YOU! Would anyone like to pray before I pray?"

(Give each child who wants to pray the opportunity to do so.)

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AFTER THE ACTIVITY:

PRAYER

"Dear God, You make good things because You are good. We want to give thanks to You because You are good. We want to thank You for making so many wonderful things like (*read the list the children made.*) I especially want to thank You for making (*say each child's name*). Everywhere we look, we can see that You are good. We love You, God. In Jesus' name, amen."

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