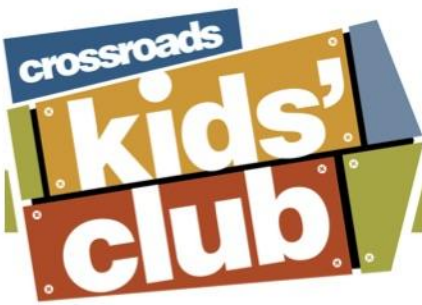


Preschool



February 11-12, 2017

DATE

I AM Journey: Creation

LESSON TITLE

Genesis 1-2, Psalm 139:13-14

WHERE TO FIND IT

God made you!

MAIN POINT

schedule

First 10 minutes of the service hour:
Engage kids in cooperative play activities to help them connect to other kids

Next 5 minutes: Connect Time

Next 25 minutes: Large Group

Last 25 minutes: Snack and Small Group

tips

The I AM Journey is all about identity: What it means, and how we can find it in God. Each week we'll explore a different story from the Bible that shows us our unique identity as unique, beloved creations of our heavenly dad!

check-in/out

As kids leave, ask them why they have a mirror!

large group heads up

Week 1 of the I AM Journey is about our identity as God's most special creation. He made us exactly as he wanted us, and we are good!



connect time

GOAL: *Connect time is all about engaging kids in a short, interactive game to prepare them for Large Group.*

- **Clean up! (10 minutes after the service start time, when you get the 5-minute warning from the presenter)**
- Line up
- While in line, tell kids we're going to hear about how God made everything, and he made US. Then get them excited by asking questions and going around the room, letting each of them answer:
 - What's your favorite animal? (Let kids answer, then say, "God made all those!" You can also act like some of the animals for fun.)
 - Who's your favorite friend? (Let kids answer, then say, "God made them!")
 - Lastly, go through the line and say, "God made _____", naming each kid.

As you walk into Large Group, encourage kids to put on their listening ears! Remind them that HOPS will be showing us how we should act in Large Group, so we have to listen!



instructions

Goal: Kids will (1) understand that God created us, and (2) understand that God wanted us to be special and unique!

Why? This story highlights God's goodness. That's an important foundational understanding for kids to have—and a really exciting one to share.

Tip: The more practice kids have going over the story, the better! Use the props to repeat the story as many times as kids will engage in retelling it.

small group

REVIEW THE STORY

Today, we're going to use some **images and a prop** to practice retelling the story:

1. **(Hold up world image)** This picture of the world is to remind us that God made sun and the earth and the water— and all the other things on the earth like mountains and beaches!
 - a. (Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")
2. **(Hold up animal image)** This picture of animals reminds us that God made every single kind of animal! (Start naming animals. Ask the kids to help!)
 - a. (Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")
3. **(Hold up flower image)** Here are some flowers to remind us that God made grass and flowers and trees, everything that grows on the land and in the sea.
 - a. (Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")
4. **(Hold up the mirror.)** And finally, here is a mirror. Look inside it! Who did he make!? (Go around the room to each kid and ask them who they see. Then say, "God made you, and you are good!")

MAKE IT PERSONAL

- Give each kid a piece of **mirror board** and **3 stickers**.
- Help them put the stickers on their mirror. Then tell them to hold up the mirror board and look at themselves. Remind them that God made us special, because he loves us so much!
- Write each kid's name on the back of their mirror board with a **marker**.

*Extra time? Have kids do a **coloring sheet**. Play I Spy (Creation version!): Lead first, to show the kids how to play. Say, "I spy something God made with the color _____" and let the kids guess. Or say, "I spy something God made that is shaped like a _____" and let the kids guess. Let the kids come up with their own objects too. To mix things up, ask the kids to find something in the room with a certain color or shape and bring it to you.*

special notes

God made us in his image, so we know we are very special to him. Try to make each kid feel special this week!

presenter tips

Here's a link to watch today's video:

God's Story / Creation:

<https://vimeo.com/49018350>

script

WELCOME AND INTRO

Main Goal: Review the beginning of God's story and rescue plan.

Notes:

- ***Click to play intro music.**
- **Say:** Hi Friends! Welcome to Kids' Club. I'm _____ and I'm really glad you're here today. Before we get started, I want you to meet my friend HOPS.
- **Video: HOPS Obey your leaders!**
- **Say:** (Holding up the **Bible**.) *This* is God's story. Out of all the stories in the world, this is the most important. Do you know what it's called? (Let kids respond "the Bible.") That's right, the Bible! It's God's Rescue plan. It shows us how He rescued us from all the wrong things in the world.
- **Say:** In the beginning, God made the whole world and everything in it. He created the sun and the moon, the water and the land, the plants and the animals, and people like you and me! Everything was good. Give me a big thumbs up! (Let kids respond. Then change your tone.)
- **Say:** But THEN, something bad happened. Adam and Eve disobeyed God, and all the wrong things came into the world. Things like sadness and death. Show me your sad face. (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** Even though Adam and Eve disobeyed God, God loved them anyway! He planned a great rescue so that Adam and Eve, and you and me, could be close to God again! Do you know who the Rescuer is? (Let kids say: Jesus!)

GOD MADE EVERYTHING GOOD

Main Goal: Understand that we are God's most treasured creation!

- **Say:** Remember, God made EVERYTHING. (List the next part off dramatically): Big trees, pretty flowers, soft grass, roaring lions, creepy crawly spiders...everything. Even you and me!
- **Say:** Today, we're going to watch a video of that story to remember all the amazing things God made. Remember, God called everything he made "GOOD." And after he created his favorite thing, he called it "VERY good." As you watch, see if you can figure out God's *favorite* thing he made!
- **Video: God's Story / Creation**
- **Ask:** So what was God's favorite creation? What did he call VERY good? (Let kids say: People!) Yes, YOU and me. Point to yourself (Let kids respond.) Now point to someone next to you (Let kids respond.) God loves EACH of us!

GOD MADE HIS FAVORITE CREATION: US!

Main Goal: Understand how God created Adam and Eve, and that he created all of us too!

- **(Image: Adam and Eve)** After God had made the whole world, he made people. He made us last, and he made us special. God took dust of the ground and breathed on it (Blow with your mouth), almost like a kiss.
- **Say:** And from the dust, God made Adam, the very first man. But he knew Adam needed a friend. So God made Eve!
- **Say:** They were the very first people in the world and they lived in a perfect place called the Garden of Eden. They got to play with animals and climb trees and roll down hills all day. They were always happy. It was so much fun!
- **(Image: Different people)** And guess what the best part is? (Lean in.) WE are still God's favorite creation. He made each of you very special and he loves us all so much. Everybody give yourself a BIG hug (Let kids hug themselves.) Now say: "God loves me!" (Let kids say: God loves me!)

WRAP UP AND WORSHIP

Main Goal: Help kids interact through prayer and worship!

- **Say:** Let's tell God how glad we are that he made us! We're going to pray right now, so close your eyes and repeat!
- **Pray (Breaking it into small, repeatable phrases):** Hi God! Thanks for making the world! Thanks for making me! Thanks for loving me! Aaaaaa-MEN.
- **Set up worship:** Now let's sing together, and celebrate how God made every single one of you special and GOOD. Stand up, and get ready to sing and dance!



script continued

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- **Music Video: Whole Wide World**
- **Music Video: Jesus Loves Me**
- **Song: King of the Jungle**



connect questions

How did God create us?

How did God make you unique?

lesson supplies

Connect Time		
Item	Usage	Details
No supplies needed		

Small Group			
Item	Usage	Details	Provided by
Coloring Page - Creation	1 per kid	Page 9, white paper, black & white	site
Markers	1 set per group, reused		site
Mirror	1 per room, reused	Target; Item #(DPCI): 063-04-3585; link	KC Central
Mirror board	1 per kid	Discount School Supply; Item #: MIRROR; link , cut in 1/2	KC Central
Sticker	3 per kid	Oriental Trading; Item #IN-57/6739; link	KC Central
World image	1 per room, reused	Page 10, white 8.5x11 cardstock, Color	site
Animal image	1 per room, reused	Page 11, white 8.5x11 cardstock, Color	site
Flower image	1 per room, reused	Page 12, white 8.5x11 cardstock, Color	site

Large Group		
Item	Usage	Details
Jesus Storybook Bible	1 per large group, reused	

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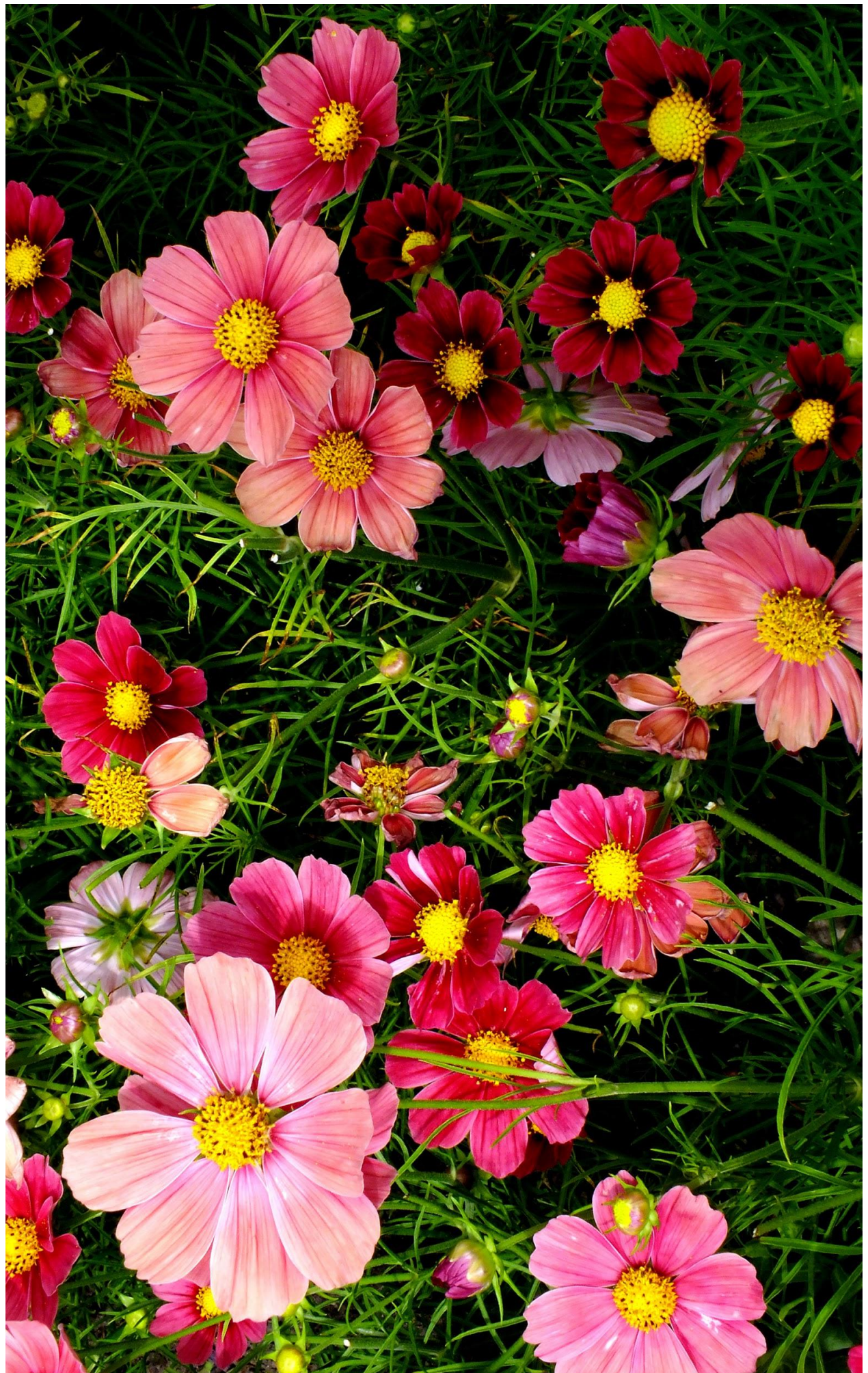
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1. Song slide: for when kids enter the room (All that You Need instrumental; mp3 only; can be downloaded on website)
2. HOPS: Obey your leaders! (<https://vimeo.com/67408011>)
3. Video: God's Story / Creation (<https://vimeo.com/49018350>)
4. Image: Adam and Eve
5. Image: Different people
6. Music Video: Whole Wide World (<https://vimeo.com/75339448>)
7. Music Video: Jesus Loves Me (<https://vimeo.com/44164426>)
8. Song: King of the Jungle (KC/SM media videos songs>songs>songs with slides)