

crossroads

kids'
club

Preschool

June 3-4, 2017

DATE

Creation

LESSON TITLE

Genesis 1

WHERE TO FIND IT

God made everything and it was good.

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

It's Move-Up weekend! That means you'll have brand new kids who may not be used to the rhythms and expectations of your room. Have patience and help them get acclimated to their new surroundings!

check-in/out

****Tell parents that next weekend (June 10-11) every kid will get TWO brand new Kids' Club CDs, full of new music! (One for them and one for a friend.) So make sure to come back next weekend so they can get their FREE copies.***

large group heads up

Today, we're talking about how God made a perfect home for us to live in, and it was all 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. Then get them excited by asking questions and going around the room, letting each of them answer:
 - Ask: What's your favorite animal?
 - Respond with: God made all those! (You can also act like some of the animals for fun.)
 - Ask: Who's your favorite friend?
 - Respond with: God made them!
 - Say: God made _____ ! (Go through the line, 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 recognize that God made everything, and it was all good.

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

1. **Image: Darkness (black paper)** Remember, in the beginning, it was completely DARK. There was nothing! Everybody close your eyes and pretend there's nothing. (Let kids respond.)
2. **Image: Light** But then, God made something out of nothing! He created light, and it was bright and warm and beautiful!
3. **Image: Water** He created water! Let's all pretend to swim in the ocean. (Let kids respond.)
4. **Image: Landscape** God made so many wonderful things on the earth, like mountains and grass and flowers and trees!
5. **Image: Animals** Then God made all kinds of animals! What animals do you see in this picture? (Go around and let kids guess.)
6. Who else did God make? US! (Give a smile and thumbs up and say: "It was good!")

MAKE IT PERSONAL

- Tell kids that we're going to practice making things too!
- Give each kid a **piece of white paper** and set out **rubbing plates**, and set out **crayons**.
- Show them how to use the stencils: Put the paper over the stencils and color all over it with a crayon. Then the design will appear!
- Let kids color over as many rubbing plates as they want, then collect them for the next service.

***When kids finish, pray with them, thanking God for making everything—and thanking God for making each one of the kids. If you can, go around and name them. It'll make them feel known and loved.**

*Extra time? Give kids a **coloring sheet**.*

special notes

Since this is Move-Up weekend, you'll have lots of new kids that have never been part of a Large Group experience before! Be prepared for them to need some extra guidance and time to get used to the rhythm of Large Group.

presenter tips

Check out today's music videos:

Be Strong
(<https://vimeo.com/144037020>)

Deep and Wide
(<https://vimeo.com/190146379>)

Boss of Me
(<https://vimeo.com/118151941>)

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 Have fun!**
- **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!)

IN THE BEGINNING: DARK AND LIGHT

Main Goal: Understand that in the beginning, God made something amazing out of nothing!

GOD MAKES THE WORLD AND EVERYTHING IN IT

Main Goal: Have fun learning about all the things God made, and how they are all GOOD.

- **Say:** Today, we're going to focus on the VERY, very happy part of God's story: that God made everything—and it was so, so GOOD. In fact, it was *perfect*. So let's see that smile and thumbs up again. (Let kids respond.) Great job! You guys are going to need a lot of those today!
- **(Image: Darkness)** So in the very, very beginning, there was nothing. Everybody squeeze your eyes shut tight. No peeking. Sit really quietly. Shhhh. (Give a couple seconds of quiet.)
- **Say:** This is what it was like in the beginning of the world. There was nothing. Nothing at all. There wasn't even a floor for you to sit on. (Let that sink in.) Keep your eyes closed.
- **Say:** Out of this nothing, God began to create the entire world. All he had to do was speak. First, he said (loudly), "Let there be light!" Now open your eyes! (Let kids respond.)
- **(Loop: Light)** There was light! Yay! After God made light, he said that it was good! Let me see your smile and thumbs up, and say "It was GOOD" (Let kids respond.) Awesome! Every time God thinks what he made was good, I want to see your thumbs up and a huge smile.
- ~~**Say:** So after God made light, he wasn't done. He said, "Let there be sky!" And suddenly there was a huge sky above the waters, like this.~~
- **(Loop: Sky)** And God said that it was GOOD. Time for a thumbs up and a smile! Say, "It was GOOD." (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** Then God wanted to make land, so he created dry ground, like what you're sitting on now. Can you guys pat the floor next you? (Let kids pat the floor.) That's dry land!
- **(Image: Landscape)** And God made all sorts of cool things on dry land, like mountains and hills and trees and grass and flowers. Well, after all that, God said that it was good...(model thumbs up and smile for kids to follow). Say, "It was good!" (Let kids respond.)
- **Say:** Let's watch a video and see some more things that God made! As you watch, pay attention to how everything God makes is perfect, and GOOD.
- **Video: Jesus Storybook Bible / In the Beginning**

GOD'S CREATION

Main Goal: Describe all the amazing things God filled the world with!

- **Say:** Wow! What an amazing world God made for us! Was it all GOOD? (Let kids respond.) Yes, it sure was!
- **Say:** Next, God filled up the sky and ocean and land. He filled the sky with birds! Can you guys flap your wings with me? (Let kids flap.) Good job! How about making a bird noise, a chirp chirp? Ready? 1-2-3 (Flap and chirp.)
- **Say:** Good job! God filled up the ocean with ... (make a fish face) fishies! Can I see everybody's fish face? (Make fish faces together.) You guys are good at this! And God saw all those birds and fish, and he said they were ...good! (Give a thumbs up and a smile.)
- **Say:** After that, God filled up the land with...animals! Lots and lots of animals! God made every single animal and even bugs with their itty bitty legs crawling everywhere! And after all the animals and bugs were made, God said that they were....GOOD! (Let kids smile and give a thumbs up.)
- **Say:** The last thing God made was pretty amazing. God made me and you! And after God made us, he said that it was VERY...good (let kids smile and give thumbs up).

WRAP UP AND WORSHIP

Main Goal: Help kids interact through prayer and worship!

Notes:

- **Say:** Let's pray together and thank God for making the whole wide world! (Pray, breaking it into small repeatable phrases.)
- **Pray:** Hi God! Thanks for making the world! Thanks for trees...and flowers...and sunshine...and animals! Thanks for making me! Aaaaaa-MEN.
- **Set up worship:** Let's stand together and sing some songs to remind us that God made the whole wide world and that it was REALLY good!
- **Music Video: Be Strong**
- **Music Video: Deep and Wide**
- **Music Video: Boss of Me**

Dismiss kids to small groups. (Be creative as you dismiss them. Ask them to come give you a high five first, or maybe tiptoe or hop--like Hops--to their groups.)



connect questions

Tell me about Creation.
What did God make?

lesson supplies

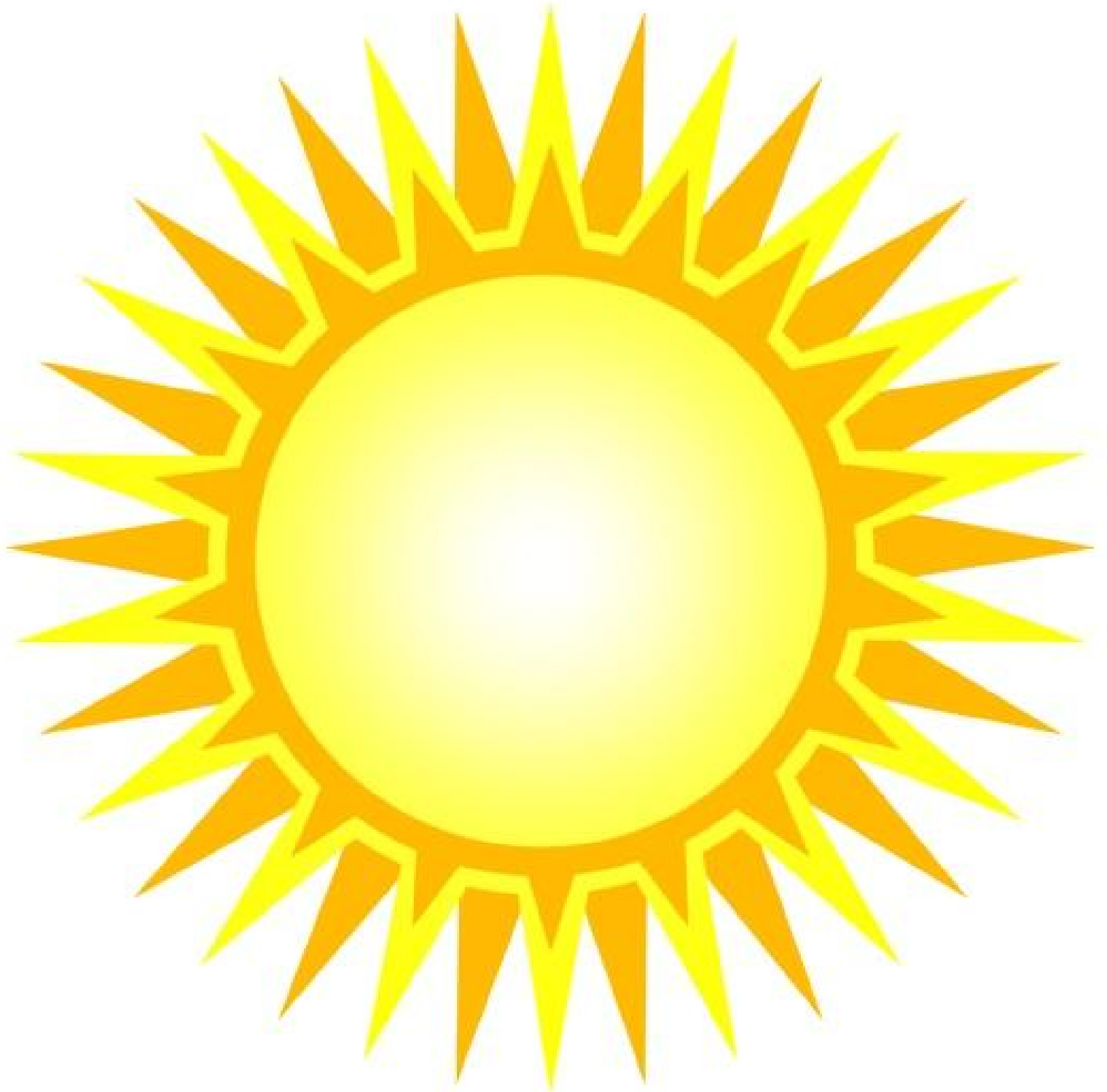
Connect Time			
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No supplies needed			

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
Black paper	1 per room, reused	Construction paper	KC Central
1 set of 4 pictures (light, water, landscape, animals)	1 per room, reused	cardstock, color, Pages 10-13	site
Rubbing Plates	1 per kid, reused	Discount School Supply Learning Leaves Rubbing Plates, Item IN-56/6013	KC Central

Large Group			
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Jesus Storybook Bible	1 per large group, reused		site

name











A/V needs

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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. Video: HOPS Have fun! (<https://vimeo.com/25767958>)
3. Image: Darkness (Black slide with no image)
4. Loop: Light (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t61imthE098>)
5. Loop: Sky (0:20-0:50; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6AJI7DsL-1Y>; no sound)
6. Image: Landscape
7. Video: Jesus Storybook Bible / In the Beginning (0:45-4:55; KC/SM media videos songs>videos>Jesus Storybook Bible)
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