

Rising Three's and Four's Large Group

August 27, 2017

Bible Story Focus: God made people and they are wonderful.

Adam and Eve • Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7, 20-23

Memory Verse: "You have done great and wonderful things." 2 Samuel 7:23, NIRV

Key Question: Who made everything wonderful?

Bottom Line: God made everything wonderful.

Basic Truth: God made me.

Here's an overview of what you'll be teaching in Rising Pre-K & Kindergarten this week.

8:30 Hour

Make It True

What You Need: Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at 2 Samuel 7:23. You will also need a CD player and this month's worship song, "Everybody Sing," which is included in your monthly files. The dance moves video of this song is available on the "Everybody Sing" Dance Moves DVD. You will also need "Come and See" available at www.AmberSkyRecords.com or on the Wherever I Go CD and Dance Moves DVD.

Worship

- CD player
- CD with this month's worship song

Bible Story (Video)

- DVD player
- "Everybody Sings" DVD

Prayer

9:30 & 10:55 Hours

Make It True

What You Need: Paperclip "Memory Verse Card" in your Bible at 2 Samuel 7:23.

- A book
- a soccer ball
- paintbrushes
- the vest from previous weeks
- box to hold all of the props
- Bible
- 1 piece of white cardstock
- Scissors
- a hole punch
- yarn
- a black permanent marker (these supplies will be used to create an “Adam” and “Eve” sign, see note below), and 2 preselected 5-year-old volunteers (a boy and a girl)

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Make It True

After children have participated in Make It Fun, tell the Bible story and then encourage the children to have fun singing with you. When sharing the Bible story, guide children to gather around you on the floor.

Worship

Worship: Inviting People to Respond to God

Engage kids’ hearts through dynamic and interactive worship in a Large Group setting.

A Worship Leader and live instruments are recommended to sing along with the music tracks. Encourage children to be active during worship by incorporating the appropriate hand motions.

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WORSHIP LEADER: *“Hello, hello, friends. I can’t wait to sing with you. But first, tell me: Who made everything wonderful?”*

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: **[Bottom Line]** *“God made everything wonderful.”*

WORSHIP LEADER: *“Yes! [Bottom Line] God made everything wonderful. You got it! Let’s sing this month’s song.”*

Lead children in singing “Everybody Sing,” this month’s worship song.

“Wonderful singing, my friends. Tell me: Who made everything wonderful?”

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: **[Bottom Line]** *“God made everything wonderful.”*

WORSHIP LEADER: *“Yes, indeed, [Bottom Line] God made everything wonderful. Who can help me remember what we do next? We sang our first song. What do we do now? (Pause.) Yes! We say our memory verse. Are you ready to say it with me?”*

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: *“You have done (point both hands up) great (left arm jazz hand) and wonderful (right arm up jazz hand) things (clap), 2 Samuel 7:23 (hold hands open like a book).” (Repeat several times.)*

WORSHIP LEADER: *“Yes! You’ve got it totally memorized now! Way to go! Let’s sing one more song about how God made everything!”*

Lead children in singing “Come and See.”

“So great! Remind me one more time: Who made everything wonderful?”

CHILDREN and WORSHIP LEADER: **[Bottom Line]** *“God made everything wonderful.”*

Story: Communicating God’s Truth in Engaging Ways

Engage kids’ hearts through a dynamic and interactive Bible story and prayer experience in a Large Group setting.

Choose an adult or teenager who relates well to preschoolers to tell the Introductory Sketch. If possible, use the same person for an entire month, as the Host role stays the same each month.

Choose an engaging adult to tell the Bible story. This person should be able to command the attention of preschoolers and control the group through animated storytelling. These scripts are written to be “told” and not “read.” Advanced preparation is necessary.

First Look offers weekly introductory sketch and Bible story videos on the DVD titled Wonder! Look at God’s Story. This DVD is available for purchase at OrangeStore.org.

Introductory Sketch

What You Need: A book, a soccer ball, paintbrushes, the vest from previous weeks, and a box to hold all of the props

HOST: (Enter wearing vest and carrying prop box.) “Hey, friends! It’s great to see you today. Do you like my vest? I’m a Wonder Scout leader, and boy have I had fun teaching my scouts about all the wonderful things God has made. My scouts have worked hard to earn their Land and Plants badge, their Sky and Water badge, and their Animal badge!

“But this week was the most important badge of all! This week my scouts had to earn their People badge. I challenged them to do one nice thing for someone else. Do you want to hear about what my scouts did?”

“First, Madi decided to use her own money from her piggybank to buy her friend Anna a book that she’s been wanting to read! (Hold up the book.) Wasn’t that so thoughtful and kind? Madi earned her People badge for sure!”

“Then Julio heard that his friend, Sam, lost his soccer ball. (Hold up the soccer ball.) He knew Sam LOVED to play soccer. So he decided to give his own soccer ball to Sam. That was such a nice thing to do. That certainly earned Julio his People badge.”

“And finally, there’s Sara! Sara loves to paint. (Hold up paintbrushes.) So she used her painting skills to create a beautiful painting for her grandma who is in the hospital. She told me that her grandmother hung the painting in her hospital room! And now she’s feeling much better. What a caring thing to do! You better believe I was happy to give Sara her People badge!”

“It’s been a great month in Wonder Scouts looking at all the WONDERful things God has made—sky and water and land and plants and animals and PEOPLE! God made them all. Wow. You know what? I’ve had so much fun I think I’m going to keep leading the Wonder Scouts! See you guys later!”

(Host exits with props as Storyteller enters carrying a Bible.)

Bible Story

What You Need: Bible, 1 piece of white cardstock, scissors, a hole punch, yarn, and a black permanent marker (these supplies will be used to create an “Adam” and “Eve” sign, see note below), and 2 preselected 5-year-old volunteers (a boy and a girl)

(NOTE: Use the supplies listed above to create “Adam” and “Eve” signs. Cut the piece of cardstock in half lengthwise. Write “ADAM” in large block letters with the marker on one piece and “EVE” in large block letters on the other. Punch a hole in the top two corners of each sign. Run string through the holes and tie a knot to secure so that the sign can be hung around a child’s neck.)

STORYTELLER: “Well, hello, friends! I’m REALLY glad to see you today, because we’re wrapping up our month of ‘WOW!’ For the entire month of August, we’ve been looking at all the amazing things that God has made that make us say, ‘WOW!’ You can read about all these things in the Bible. (Hold up Bible.) And if you find it in the Bible, then you know it is true!

“God made so many WONDERful things that we’ve already talked about like the land and the sky and water and plants and trees and animals! All of the things God made are amazing and WONDERful, and when I look at them it makes me want to say . . . say it with me . . . WOW!

“But you know what? Even after God made all those amazing things, He wasn’t done! In fact, He waited until the very end to make his BEST creation. Do you know what it is? (Pause.) PEOPLE! God wasn’t done creating until He made a man and a woman.

(Quickly call your preselected children to come onstage.)

“Thanks for helping me out today, friends! God started with a man. Does anyone know the first man’s name?”

CHILDREN: “Adam!”

(Place the “Adam” sign around the boy volunteer’s neck.)

STORYTELLER: *“Yes! His name was Adam. God made Adam to be like himself. But God saw that Adam felt lonely. He was the only person in the whole world. So God made him a friend, a woman. Does anyone know her name?”*

CHILDREN: “Eve!”

(Place the “Eve” sign around the girl volunteer’s neck.)

STORYTELLER: *“Yes! God called her Eve. Now, why are people God’s MOST amazing creation? Well, think about it. God created people with 10 fingers. Wiggle your fingers. Good. You have 10 toes. Wiggle those toes. You have two ears. Point to your*

ears. You have two legs. Pat your legs for me. And you have two feet. Stomp them two times. Stomp, stomp! Great job!

“God gave people a mouth to talk. Point to your mouth. He gave us teeth to chew and a nose to smell. Point to your nose! We all have lungs to breathe, a stomach for food, and a brain to think. Where’s your brain? You’re so smart! God gave you that amazing brain in your head! And He gave people a heart to beat. Put your hand on your heart.

“God made us with feelings! When we’re sad, what face do we make? (Pause.) Yes! And what happens in our eyes? We cry tears! And when we’re angry, what face do we make? (Pause.) Yes! Our face gets red and hot and we want to yell, right?

“When we’re excited, what face do we make? (Pause.) Yes! Our heart beats fast and we jump up and down! And when we think something is funny, what happens to our faces? We laugh, right? Go ahead and give me a BIG belly laugh. (Pause.) Awesome. Sometimes we laugh so hard we can’t stop.

“Think about our brains! We can learn things. We can learn the alphabet and all our numbers, too. We can learn that W-O-W spells WOW! We can learn to tie our shoes and button our buttons all the way up! We can learn to cook and to read and to even fly airplanes one day.

“God has given us the most amazing brains to think and know ALL the things there are to think and know! But what makes us even MORE amazing is the way God created us to LOVE other people. It’s why Adam needed Eve. (To the volunteers) Go ahead, Adam, give Eve a hug. (Pause.) Now give your neighbor a hug, everyone. (Pause.) God didn’t want us to be alone. God gives us families to love and hug and hearts that want to help. God made us so that we would care about each other and so that we could love Him, too.

“YOU are His most amazing creation. When God looks at you, you know what He says? Say it with me. He says, ‘WOW!’

“So how about a big hand for our volunteers today. Thanks so much, friends!

(Take the “Adam” and “Eve” signs from the volunteers and send them back to their seats.)

“Tell me: Who made everything wonderful?”

CHILDREN and STORYTELLER: [Bottom Line] “God made everything wonderful.”

STORYTELLER: “That’s right. God made everything: land, sea, sky, birds, animals, and YOU! [Bottom Line] God made everything wonderful. Let’s thank God right now for all the WONDERful things He made that make us say, ‘WOW!’”

Prayer

STORYTELLER: *“Heavenly Father, what an awesome, amazing God You are. Thank You for making each one of these precious boys and girls. They are amazing. And we know that You made each of us in a wonderful way. Thank You for the gift of Your WONDERful creation. We love everything You made and we love You! In Jesus’ name, amen.”*

(Dismiss children and leaders to their groups.)