



# WEEK 2

## PRESCHOOL LESSON OUTLINE



### **BIG IDEA**

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### **THE BIBLE**

God Created the World: Genesis 1:1-25

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

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- **ACTIVITY** | Days of Creation Bounce

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## **WELCOME TIME**

### **ACTIVITY | Creation Station**

- Welcome to church! We're talking about this amazing planet we get to live on—Earth! Let's make some cool creations!
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Gather a variety of craft elements, such as: LEGO blocks, Wikki sticks, pipe cleaners, aluminum foil, play dough, and paper. Have the kids create something from nature using the elements provided. When they have finished making their creations, let them take turns guessing what each person made.*
- **What was your favorite part of making your creation?**
- **Was it easier or harder than you thought it would be?**
- You worked pretty hard. Today we'll talk about how God created the whole world just by speaking!

### **ACTIVITY | Days of Creation Bounce**

- **Do you know how many days there are in a week?** There are seven days in a week! **Do you know how many days it took God to create the world?** He made everything in six days, then He rested on the 7<sup>th</sup> day.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Before the service, number some paper plates from 1-7 and tape them to the floor in a line, with a foot between each plate. Then tape a starting line 2-3 feet in front of the first plate. Get a large blue bouncy ball and have the kids stand at the starting line. Tell them they have to try and bounce the ball, one at a time, and get it to land on one of the plates. If it lands on the 7<sup>th</sup> plate, everyone will say "God rested," and everyone has to lay down and pretend to sleep.*
- We're going to read a story from the Bible that tells us how God created the world in 7 days!

## TEACHING TIME

### MUSIC | Worship Time

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Spend some time singing with your preschoolers. You can select any songs you'd like, but for this lesson we like, "Creation (Story Song)" by Kurtis Parks and Friends and, "Whole While World" by Crossroads Kids Club.

### THE BIG IDEA | God created the whole world.

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Each week, do a big reveal (and make it fun) when you announce the Big Idea, like:
  - Ask the kids to give you a drumroll by stomping their feet or patting their laps.
  - Shout the Big Idea, then point to the kids and have them shout it back. (Change it up by using funny voices, different volumes, or inflections).
  - Have a character (either recurring or rotating) come out every week to reveal the Big Idea.
  - Write it on a piece of paper and hide it somewhere in the room. Have the kids go on a "hunt" for it. When it's found, read it to the kids.
- This week's Big Idea: **God created the whole world.**

### OBJECT LESSON | The Earth

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Get an inflatable globe or real globe and hold it up.
- **We get to live on this wonderful planet, Earth! There are so many great places and things on the earth. There are mountains, oceans, trees, deserts, gardens, and river.**
- **Do you know where it all came from?** That's right – God made it! We're going to read a story from the Bible that tells us how God made the earth and everything on it.

### BIBLE STORY | Genesis 1:1-25

- Before we read from the Bible, think about your favorite things in nature. It could be a sunset, the stars or moon, the mountains, the ocean, flowers, waterfalls, snow, or anything else. Do you know where all that stuff came from? Let's read from the Bible and find out!
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Look up the story in your Bible and read it to your preschoolers.
- **What does the Bible say about where everything came from?** That's right! God made it all! Let's have a quick review!
- **What did God create on the first day?** He made the light and dark, and the heavens and earth.
- **What did God create on the second day?** He made the water and sky.
- **What did God create on the third day?** He made the dry land and plants.
- **What did God create on the fourth day?** He made the stars, sun, and moon.
- **What did God create on the fifth day?** He made all the birds and fish.
- On the sixth day, God created a lot of things. What did God create on that day? He created all the animals and the first two people: Adam and Eve.
- **What did God say about everything He created?** He said it was good.
- **What are some things God created that you would call good?**
- On the seventh day, God did something important: He rested.

- **Why do you think God rested? Was He tired?** He might have done it to give us an example to follow, so we know it's important to rest and to appreciate everything God has created and given us.

### ACTIVITY | Creation Act it Out

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Call out different things from the creation story, and encourage the kids to act them out. You can call out things such as . . .
  - Animals: kangaroo, turtle, dog, cow
  - Plants: tree, flower, bush
  - Sky: cloud, sun, stars
  - Earth
  - Bird
  - People
- **Can you name one thing God created? Isn't it amazing that God created the whole world?**
- God made so many things for us to enjoy! **Do you remember what God did on the seventh day?** He rested!

### PRAYER

- Let's spend time talking with God in prayer.
- Dear God, we thank you for creating the world and everything in it! Help us take care of this planet you have given us to live on. We love you. Amen!

## DISCUSSION TIME

### DISCUSSION | Snack and Discussion

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Pass out a snack to all of your preschoolers and ask them to sit and listen while they eat. Your discussion will be more effective when they're busy sitting and snacking!
- **What did God create on the first day?** (Light and dark, heavens and earth.)
- **What did God create on the 6<sup>th</sup> day?** (All the animals and people.)
- **What did God say about the things He created?** (It was good.)
- **What did God do on the 7<sup>th</sup> day?** (He rested.)
- **Why do you think He rested?**

### ACTIVITY | Circle Time

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Have all the kids sit in a circle. Get an inflatable globe and pass it around the circle. When you say "Stop," whoever is holding it will share something they like that God has created. To make it harder, you can give them a category each round, such as . . .
  - Outer space
  - Plants
  - Animals
  - People
  - Birds
  - Fish
  - Things in the sky

- God has created so many amazing things in this world! We can thank Him for creating the sun, moon and stars. We can thank Him for creating the oceans and the mountains, the trees and the plants. We get to enjoy all of them!

**ACTIVITY | Mess Free Earth Painting**

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Gather enough white paper plates for all the kids. Write their name on the back of their plate before you start. Put a few squirts of blue and green paint on the plates in various places, then put each plate (carefully) into a gallon sized sandwich bag. Zip it shut. Let the kids smoosh the paint around the plate as much as they want. When they are done, take it out of the bag (carefully!) and let it dry, then let them take their earth paintings home.*
- You made some beautiful creations! **Isn't it amazing how God created our world?**
- Take your plates home as a reminder that God created the whole world.

**MEMORY VERSE | Romans 3:23**

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Check out the Memory Verse Guide in your Programming Folder for ideas on how to help your preschoolers memorize Bible verses. Here are the hand motions for this month's memory verse . . .*

**FOR ALL HAVE SINNED** (*spread your arms far apart and then do thumbs down with both hands*)  
**AND FALLEN SHORT** (*pretend to fall over by leaning forward*)  
**OF THE GLORY** (*put both hands up above your head and pump your arms*)  
**OF GOD** (*point up*).

**PLAY TIME**

*While you're waiting for parents to pick up their kids...*

**ACTIVITY | Coloring Page of the Week**

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Give every kid a Coloring Page, plus markers or crayons. As they color, remind them that God created the whole world.*

**ACTIVITY | Hot and Cold Earth**

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Print the Hot and Cold earth printable and hide it somewhere around the room while the kids aren't looking. Play hot and cold with the kids, saying "Cold," when they are not close to finding it, and "Hot" when they are close.*

**ACTIVITY | Creation Play**

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** *Give the kids Play-Doh and tell them different things from the creation story to make. Encourage them to make the earth, people, plants and animals.*