



WEEK 3

PRESCHOOL LESSON OUTLINE



BIG IDEA

God created us in His image.

THE BIBLE

God Created Adam and Eve: Genesis 1:26-31, 2:1-7

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

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- **ACTIVITY** | Duck, Duck, People

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WELCOME TIME

ACTIVITY | Self Portraits

- Welcome to church! We've been talking about everything God made! Last week, we learned that God made the whole world. Today, we're looking at one special thing God made: people! That's us! God made you just how he wanted you. Let's draw pictures of ourselves!
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Give the kids pieces of paper and crayons or markers. Tell them to draw a picture of themselves.
- **What color of hair do you have? What color of eyes do you have? What is your favorite color?** We all look different and have different personalities. God created you special and unique. You are fearfully and wonderfully made!

ACTIVITY | Duck, Duck, People

- You might have heard of the game "Duck, Duck, Goose," but today, we're going to play it a little differently. We learned that God created all the animals on the 6th day of creation. But God also created something even more special than the animals. He created people!
- We're going to all sit in a circle, and one person will walk around tapping everyone's head, and saying the name an animal each time. If the person says "People!" you have to get up and run around the circle and try and tag that person before they get to your seat. If they get back to your seat, you are the tagger.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Play this game just like "Duck, Duck, Goose," but have the kids say the names of different animals in place of duck, and then "People" in place of goose.

- What made people different from the animals? People were the only thing in all creation that was made in the image of God. We're going to learn more about that!

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, "One of a Kind" by Yancy and, "Wonderfully Made" by Seeds Family Worship.

THE BIG IDEA | God created us in His image.

- **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 us in His image.**

BIBLE STORY | Genesis 1:26-31, 2:1-8

- **Last week, we learned about when God created the whole world. He made the sun, moon and stars, the plants and animals. Then He made one thing special that wasn't like anything else.** Let's read from the Bible to see what it is . . .
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Look up the story in your Bible and read it to your preschoolers.
- **What did God create in His image?** People! **Was there anything else?** No! Nothing else in all creation was created in God's image.
- **What do you think it means to be created in God's image?** It means we get to reflect God and His love and His goodness. We can have a relationship with Him. He created us special, and He loves us.
- God created Adam and Eve out of the dust of the ground and gave them jobs. **What jobs did He give them?** He told them to be fruitful and multiply to make more people, and He told them to rule over the land. He put them in a garden to live in. It was beautiful, and everything in the world was perfect. It was a perfect world with Adam and Eve and a perfect relationship with God.
- **Isn't it amazing how God created Adam and Eve special and different from everything else?** He made you too, and you are exactly as God wanted you to be. You were created in God's image to reflect Him and have a relationship with Him.

ACTIVITY | Sit Down If You

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Have the kids all stand up. Then say, "Sit down if you . . ." and if the statement applies to them, they will sit down.

- You can use statements such as . . .
 - Have brown hair
 - Love to eat pizza
 - Like to play with toys
 - Have a brother
 - Like animals
 - Have blue eyes
 - Like to eat vegetables
- We're all different in a lot of ways. We have different colors of hair, different families, and different interests, but we all reflect God. We are all God's masterpiece.

PRAYER

- Let's spend time talking with God in prayer.
- Dear God, thank you for creating us in Your image. Help us remember that we are fearfully and wonderfully made. 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 were the names of the first two people God created?** (Adam and Eve.)
- **Where did God put Adam and Eve to live?** (The garden.)
- **What jobs did He give Adam and Eve?** (Be fruitful and multiply, rule over the animals and the earth.)
- **What else did God create in His image?** (Nothing. Just people.)
- **What does it mean to be created in God's image?**

ACTIVITY | Circle Time

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Have the kids join you on the floor in a circle. Tell each one to say their name and do a silly action (they could clap their hands, do a little dance, make a silly face, or anything else they want). They will go around the circle saying their name and doing their action, and saying the name and doing the action of each child before them in the circle. As you go around, the kids at the end of the circle will say everyone's name and do everyone's action. For younger kids, you could just have them all do each other's actions.
- You all had different silly actions in our game! We all have things that are different about us, and we all have things that are the same! We're all God's children and He loves us all equally. But He created us all unique and special. God made you special and He loves you.

ACTIVITY | Fingerprint Earth

- Since we're talking about being unique, do you know what is unique about fingerprints? Every single person in the whole world has a different design on their fingerprint. There are no two fingerprints that are the same. It's a great reminder of how God has created each of us to be unique.

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Give the kids a Fingerprint Earth printable and some blue, green and brown ink pads. Show kids how to put their finger in the paint and make fingerprints. They can use their fingerprints in the different colors to color the picture of the earth.
- God created the whole world and filled it with people, His unique creation, made in His image.

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. Tell them that this week's coloring page will help them think about how special they are, and remind them they are made in God's image.

ACTIVITY | Mirror Me

- Being made in God's image means we reflect Him and look like Him with our love and our hearts. Let's pretend like I'm a mirror, and everything I do, you have to reflect me and do the same thing.
- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Stand in front of the kids and do silly things and have the kids mirror your actions.

ACTIVITY | Mr. Potato Head

- **INSTRUCTIONS:** Give the kids some Mr. and Mrs. Potato head toys and accessories. Let them create their own creations of "Potato Head" people. Encourage them to make their potato people unique, like God created each of us unique.

Encourage your preschoolers to help clean up the room while they wait for their parents.