



WEEK  
**ONE**  
AUGUST 2024

LARGE GROUP  
**3-5** YEAR  
-OLDS  
RUG

## TODAY'S SUGGESTED SCHEDULE

### BIBLE STORY

God made me.

#### GOD MADE ME

GENESIS 1:27; PSALM 139:13-14

### MEMORY VERSE

"How you made me is amazing and wonderful."

PSALM 139:14, NIRV

### KEY QUESTION

Who made you wonderful?

### BOTTOM LINE

God made me wonderful.

### BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

### PRELUDE: Setting the tone for the experience

See the **Getting Ready** pages at the end of this document for a detailed description of what you'll need for today.

In the **Prelude** folder of your curriculum, you'll find a variety of other resources to help you prepare.

### SMALL GROUP

15  
MIN

#### SOCIAL: Providing time for fun interaction

Offer one or more of these activities as preschoolers arrive.

Balance

Wonderfully Put Together

God Made Us WONDERFUL

### LARGE GROUP

20  
MIN

#### WORSHIP: Inviting people to respond to God

#### STORY: Communicating God's truth in engaging ways

"Made Us Wonderful"

Bible Story

Prayer

### SMALL GROUP

25  
MIN

#### GROUPS: Creating a safe place to connect

Offer as many of these activities as your time, facilities, resources, and leadership allow.

Memory Verse with Motions

Wonderful

Point to the Clue

Build a Face

Wonderful Pancakes

Journal and Prayer

### HOME: Prompting action beyond the experience

Going Home

Memory Verse Card

Parent Cue Card (*print or email*)

Parent Cue App



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## LARGE GROUP

ENGAGE CHILDREN'S HEARTS THROUGH A DYNAMIC AND INTERACTIVE BIBLE STORY, WORSHIP, AND PRAYER EXPERIENCE IN A LARGE GROUP SETTING.

## WORSHIP

**WHAT YOU NEED:** "Memory Verse Card" Activity Page; cardstock; scissors; Bible; instruments or music player; this month's worship song, "Made Us Wonderful," included in your monthly files; *Optional: Dance Moves Video for "Made Us Wonderful," available in the Media Package if you subscribe or from Store.ThinkOrange.com*

*Note: You can find examples of hand motions in the "Memory Verse Hand Motions" PDF and video, included in the Prelude folder and on Pinterest.*

**LEADER:** "Friends, I'm SO excited to see you today! My name is [your name]. Do you know what time it is? It's time for worship! It's our chance to sing and dance to show God how much we love God. God deserves all our worship and praise because God made us wonderful! God made you wonderful and **God made me wonderful!**"

"When I ask, '**Who made you wonderful?**' I want you to say, '**God made me wonderful!**' **Who made you wonderful?**"

**CHILDREN AND LEADER: "God made me wonderful!"**

**LEADER:** "That's right! Stand up on your feet and let's sing about that."

*Lead children in singing "Made Us Wonderful," this month's worship song.*

"The Bible teaches us that: 'How you (*point up*) made me (*point to self*) is amazing and wonderful,' (*push hands up twice*) Psalm 139:14. (*Open hands like a book.*)

"Let's learn our Memory Verse together. Are you ready? Watch me say it and do the motions, and then you can do it with me!

*Lead children to say the Memory Verse with the motions.*

"Great job, friends! Thanks for worshipping with me today! [**Transition**] And now it's time to turn around, sit down, and shake the wiggles out (*wiggle hands*), so we can hear (*cup hands behind ears*) what the story's all about!"



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## STORY

**WHAT YOU NEED:** Bible; *Optional: Story Images and cardstock*

**LEADER:** "Hello, friends! I'm [your name], and I have an awesome true story to share with you from the Bible.

*Open the Bible for children to see, then set it down.*

"Today's true story from the Bible begins with . . . YOU! God made you inside and out. That's what today's story is all about.

*Put your hands on your head.*

"Do you know what this is? (*Pause for responses.*) That's right! God made your head.

*(Option: Display Story Image W1 01)*

"Can you tap the top of your head?

*Tap your head.*

"God made your head wonderful! Let's use the hands or mouths God made to say: **'God made me wonderful.'**"

*Lead children to make the ASL sign for "wonderful:" push hands up twice.*

**CHILDREN AND LEADER: "God made me wonderful."**

**LEADER:** "Let's talk about something else God made. Can you tell me what this is?"

*(Option: Display Story Image W1 02)*

*Pat your tummy.*

"That's right! This is your tummy. This is where your food goes. Can you rub your tummy like this?"

*Rub your tummy as children do the same.*

"Great job! God made your tummy, and God made it wonderful. Let's use the hands or mouths God made to say: **'God made me wonderful.'**"

*Lead children to make the ASL sign for "wonderful:" push hands up twice.*

**CHILDREN AND LEADER: "God made me wonderful."**

**LEADER:** "God made other parts of our body. Tell me, what are these?"



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*(Option: Display Story Image W1 03)*

*Stomp your feet.*

"God made our feet! God gave us feet with wiggly toes. Can you wiggle your toes? *(Pause.)*

*Wiggle your toes/feet.*

"Let's use the hands or mouths God made to say: **'God made me wonderful!'**"

*Lead children to make the ASL sign for "wonderful:" push hands up twice.*

**CHILDREN AND LEADER: "God made me wonderful."**

*Hold up or point to each part of your body as you name them.*

**LEADER:** "God made every part of you. Your hands, your feet, your mouth . . . and your eyes!"

*(Option: Display Story Image W1 04)*

"God made some eyes brown, some eyes blue, and some eyes green. Some people even have one brown eye and one blue eye! God made all of our eyes, and that's wonderful!"

"Can you tap your nose? *(Tap nose.)* We all have different noses, and God made us all wonderful!"

*(Option: Display Story Image W1 05)*

"Can you point to your hair? *(Point to your hair.)* Some people have straight hair. Some people have curly hair. Some people don't have hair at all! We all have different kinds of hair, and God made us all wonderful!"

"Oh, I know! Let's use the hands and mouths God gave us to say, 'Thank You, God.'"

*Lead children to make the ASL sign for 'Thank you.'*

**CHILDREN AND LEADER:** "Thank You, God!"

**LEADER:** "Thank You, God, for making us wonderful! Tell me: **Who made you wonderful?"**

**CHILDREN AND LEADER: "God made me wonderful!"**

**LEADER:** "Yes, **God made me wonderful.** Great job, friends. **[Transition]** Our story time is over *(pick up and close Bible)*, but we're not through. Let's talk to God because God loves you!"



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### PRAYER

**LEADER:** "God, thank You for the wonderful way You made each and every one of us. From our hair to our tummies, to our wiggly toes—thank You for each part of us. We know every part is wonderful because every part was made by You. Thank You, God! We love You. In Jesus' name, we pray, amen."

**[Transition]** "And now it's time for more Bible fun. There's more to learn. Come on, everyone!"

*Lead small group to the first activity.*



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## GETTING READY

HERE'S EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO GET READY FOR THIS WEEK

Gather children for a Large Group time that includes interactive Worship and the Bible Story. The Rug Script is written for those who pull their children to a rug (or area) to one side of their preschool space to tell the Bible Story. If you gather your preschoolers together from multiple rooms and have a larger space on which to present the Bible Story, you may benefit from using the Stage Script.

### WORSHIP: INVITING PEOPLE TO RESPOND TO GOD (10 MINUTES)

A 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.

### STORY: COMMUNICATING GOD'S TRUTH IN ENGAGING WAYS (10 MINUTES)

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." Advance preparation is necessary.

### 1. WORSHIP

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Leader(s)
- Instruments or music player
- "Memory Verse Card" Activity Page
- Cardstock
- Scissors
- Bible

#### MUSIC AND SOUND EFFECTS:

- This month's worship song, "Made Us Wonderful," included in your monthly files

#### OPTIONAL VIDEOS (AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE):

- Dance Moves Music Video for "Made Us Wonderful," available in the Media Package if you subscribe or from Store.ThinkOrange.com

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- Copy "Memory Verse Card" on cardstock and cut.
- Place "Memory Verse Card" in Bible at Psalm 139:14.
- Download the song and have it ready to use.

### 2. BIBLE STORY

#### WHAT YOU NEED:

- Bible
- *Optional: Story Images and cardstock*

#### LARGE GROUP VISUALS:

- Story Image W1 01
- Story Image W1 02
- Story Image W1 03
- Story Image W1 04
- Story Image W1 05

#### WHAT YOU DO:

- *Option: Copy the Story Images on cardstock or download them to display on a screen.*

### SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES

**WONDER! LOOK AT GOD'S STORY:** First Look offers weekly videos to engage preschoolers with the Bible Story. Join our Bible storytellers, Clubhouse friends, and, of course, Ollie the Owl to discover the wonder in God's story. Available in the First Look Media Package or can also be purchased monthly at Store.ThinkOrange.com.

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