MONTHLY BIBLE STORY

God Made Me

GENESIS 1:27; PSALM 139:13-14

BIBLE WORDS

"How you made me is amazing and wonderful."

PSALM 139:14, NIRV

BOTTOM LINE

God made you wonderful.

BASIC TRUTH

God made me.

The toddler curriculum provides one monthly Bible Story because we understand that toddlers learn best through repetition. The toddler curriculum provides older toddlers with the story and craft element that some are ready to experience before they enter the twos. We hope that by sending home a simple toddler craft, you are cueing families to begin having conversations at home with their children.

STORY TIME:

Draw It

CRAFT TIME:

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STORY TIME

Gather children on a rug or in a specific area of the classroom to tell the story. Some children (especially the younger ones) may wander. That's okay. They're still listening and learning!

WHAT YOU NEED: Preschool Bible, butcher paper, and markers in a variety of colors

LEADER: "Hello, friends! I'm so glad to see you today. Come join me on the floor. Today's true story from the Bible (hold up the Bible) begins with [child's name], (draw a smiley face and label it with child's name) and [child's name]. (Continue with each child.) Our Bible Story is about YOU!

"God made every single part of your body. (Draw a gingerbread person or a stick person.) God made your wonderful head. (Draw a small heart on the head.) God made your wonderful tummy. (Draw a small heart on the tummy.) God made all the other parts of your wonderful body too—from your eyes (draw small hearts for both eyes) to your nose (draw a small heart for the nose) and your mouth (draw a small heart for the mouth) to your ears! (Draw small hearts for the ears.) God made ALL of you wonderful—inside and out! God made each of us wonderful and amazing. God made you wonderful."

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CRAFT TIME

Gather small groups of children around you at a table for toddler craft time. Depending on the size of your group, you may lead the craft two or three times. Not every child may want to participate in craft time. That's okay. Feel free to send home the craft materials for them to complete with their mom or dad.

WHAT YOU NEED: "Made Wonderfully" Activity Page, cardstock, washable ink pads, baby wipes, and a permanent marker

WHAT YOU DO:

BEFORE THE ACTIVITY: Copy "Made Wonderfully" on cardstock, one per child. Write each child's name on their paper.

DURING THE ACTIVITY: Help cover child's hand with ink and press it into the heart outline. Clean hand and repeat with the other hand.

WHAT YOU SAY:

DURING THE ACTIVITY: "Look at the great big heart on your paper! We need to fill it with your wonderful handprints! Let's cover your right hand with ink, and we'll press it on the right side of the heart. (Pause.) Great! (Clean hand.) Let's do your left hand now. (Clean hand.) [Child's name], look at your special handprints! God made YOU wonderful inside and out. **God made you wonderful."**