




God Creates Adam and Eve

Genesis 2:4-22

Infants and toddlers are discovering they have bodies and they are separate creatures from their mothers. This time of initial awareness and discovery is a prime opportunity to teach little ones the fundamental truth that God made them. As you comment on children’s delicate fingers and tiny toes, encourage them to thank and praise God for making their bodies in an amazing way.

INFANT

LESSON	WHAT CHILDREN DO	SUPPLIES	EASY PREP
1 Getting Started	Sing and Celebrate Listen to praise songs.	CD player Teacher Pack: CD	
2 Bible Exploration	Touch and See! God Made Me! Touch some of the tummies and heads God has made.	scissors Teacher Pack: “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture 	Cut the “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture in half along the marked line.
3 Weaving Faith Into Life	Amazing Motion Bounce and play while hearing about how God made us.		
	Tender Tickles Learn that God made their giggles.	Teacher Pack: feather	
	Weaving Faith at Home Take home their “Growing With Jesus” pages.	My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the “Growing With Jesus” page (at the end of the lesson)	Remove the Lesson 2 pages from each My Bible Snuggles student book.

Bold text within the lesson is spoken text.



Bible Point
God made us.


Key Verse
“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth” (Genesis 1:1).

Weaving Faith Into Life
Children will thank God for one of the most beautiful aspects of his creation—themselves!





TODDLER



LESSON	WHAT CHILDREN DO	SUPPLIES	EASY PREP
<p>1</p> <p>Getting Started</p>	<p>Sing and Celebrate Sing or listen to praise songs.</p>	<p>CD player Teacher Pack: CD</p>	
<p>2</p> <p>Bible Exploration</p>	<p>Wonderful Bodies Identify parts of their bodies that God made by putting paper clothes on a paper figure.</p>	<p>Bible, removable adhesive such as poster putty Teacher Pack: “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture </p>	<p>Cut the “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture in half along the marked line. Cut out each piece of clothing, and set these aside along with the picture of the child.</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Weaving Faith Into Life</p>	<p>God Made My Hands! Make handprints.</p>	<p>newspaper, tempera paint or Do-A-Dot paint markers (available at toy stores or teacher supply stores), My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the “God Made Me” page (at the end of this lesson), paint smocks, wet wipes (optional)</p>	<p>Remove the Lesson 2 pages from each My Bible Snuggles student book.</p>
	<p>Head-and-Shoulders Praise Wave their hands and touch their shoulders.</p>		
	<p>Weaving Faith at Home Take home their “Growing With Jesus” pages.</p>	<p>My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the “Growing With Jesus” page (at the end of the lesson)</p>	

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2-YEAR-OLD



LESSON	WHAT CHILDREN DO	SUPPLIES	EASY PREP
<p>1</p> <p>Getting Started</p>	<p>Sing and Celebrate Sing or listen to praise songs.</p>	<p>CD player Teacher Pack: CD “God Made” teaching picture</p> 	
<p>2</p> <p>Bible Exploration</p>	<p>Wiggly Wonders Identify parts of their bodies that God has made by putting paper clothes on a paper figure.</p>	<p>Bible, removable adhesive such as poster putty, scissors Teacher Pack: “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture</p> 	<p>Cut the “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture in half along the marked line. Cut out each piece of clothing, and set these aside along with the picture of the child.</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Weaving Faith Into Life</p>	<p>God Made Faces Create faces with cereal.</p>	<p>crayons or washable markers, a few bowls of different cereals, My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the “God Made Me” page (at the end of this lesson), wet wipes (optional)</p>	<p>Remove the Lesson 2 pages from each My Bible Snuggles student book.</p>
	<p>Soft-Touch Praise Touch each other with cotton balls.</p>	<p>1 cotton ball per child</p>	
	<p>Weaving Faith at Home Take home their “Growing With Jesus” pages.</p>	<p>My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the “Growing With Jesus” page (at the end of the lesson)</p>	

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BIBLE BACKGROUND
FOR LEADERS

God Creates Humans

God communicates through the Bible to give us a spiritual message—to tell us of his love and his plan for us. Because of this focus, we can’t always expect everything we read in the Bible to fall in strict chronological order.

Some scholars see problems in the differences between the accounts of the creation of humans in Genesis 1 and Genesis 2. Others, however, see the account in Chapter 2 as an elaboration of Chapter 1. But notice the emphasis in both accounts: God did it. The emphasis in this account is not upon the creation, but upon the Creator.

God Creates Adam

In Genesis 2:7 we see a bit of the “how” of Adam’s creation. It’s interesting to note that humans were the first of creation not simply spoken into being. God personally formed Adam out of the earth. And then one more difference appears: God breathed life into Adam, and he became a living being. Many here translate *being* as *soul*. No other creature was given that designation. Genesis 1:27 tells us that humans were created in God’s image. And after the creation of humans, God announced that his creation was not only “good,” it was “very good” (Genesis 1:31).

God Creates Eve

Adam’s need for a mate didn’t come as a surprise to God. The parade of animals for Adam to name had a purpose beyond the naming: It pointed out to Adam that he was alone, that he didn’t have a mate like him—someone who could share his life. After helping Adam come to this realization, God created woman.

Adam and Eve Become One

Many appropriate conclusions have been drawn from Eve’s being created from Adam’s rib—from his side—such as the intent that the two work side by side, that they be equal to each other in standing before God, and that they become “one flesh” in the bond of marriage. However, Adam lost a rib to make Eve. Without her, he was incomplete. And without Adam, Eve wouldn’t have existed. Together, man and woman became a whole being, able to stand together and support each other against the forces that oppose them—just as God had planned from the start.

The Jesus Connection

God made us his very special creation, and because God is good, he gave us Jesus to show us the way to live for God’s glory. Take a moment to thank God for the individuals in your ministry and for the unique and beautiful way he created them. You can ask God to help you show them how important they are and write your prayer here.



INFANT

1


**GETTING
STARTED**



Sing and Celebrate


What You'll Do

Sing “God Made You” (track 3 on the CD) to the tune of “Humpty Dumpty” to the babies anytime during the lesson. Sing as you rock, feed, or play with the infants.

 **God made your head,
And God made your toes.
God made your eyes,
And God made your nose.
Reach out your arms and bring them around,
Give me a hug before you sit down.
(Repeat.)**

Afterward, say: ► **GOD MADE US.**

As you sing “God, the Maker” (not on the CD) to the tune of “The Farmer in the Dell,” gently touch each baby’s arms, legs, hands, and feet. Give babies gentle hugs, and tell them that God made them in a wonderful way.

 **God made the world.
God made the world.
In my Bible book it says
God made the world.**

**God made your arms and legs.
God made your hands and feet.
In my Bible book it says
God made you very sweet.**

Afterward, say: ► **GOD MADE US.**

Sing and Celebrate Supplies

- CD player
- Teacher Pack**
- CD: “God Made You”
(track 3)





Touch and See! God Made Me! Supplies

scissors

Teacher Pack
“Wonderful Bodies”
teaching picture

Touch and See! God Made Me! Easy Prep

Cut the “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture in half along the marked line.

2 BIBLE EXPLORATION

Touch and See! God Made Me!

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Set out the picture of the child from the “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture. As crawlers play on the floor or as you hold an infant, show the picture. Have babies look at the picture.

Say: **Look. See the child. Look at his arms, legs, head, and tummy. The Bible tells us ► GOD MADE US. Let's touch the baby's tummy in the picture. Now let's touch your tummy. God made us, and he made tummies. Let's touch the child's head. Now let's touch your head. ► GOD MADE US, and he made your head.**

Smile at the baby.

Say: **Can you find the child's smile? Now, you smile. ► GOD MADE US, and he made your happy smile.**

Give babies a big hug.

3 WEAVING FAITH INTO LIFE

Amazing Motion

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Place a baby on his or her back on your lap. Support the baby's head, and gently lift the baby's shoulders.

Say: **► GOD MADE US, and God made your head and neck. Gently raise and lower the baby's arms. ► GOD MADE US, and God made your arms to move up and down. Gently bend and straighten the baby's legs. ► GOD MADE US, and God made your legs to bend and straighten. For babies who can stand up, hold them up and bounce their legs on your lap. ► GOD MADE US, and God made your legs to bounce and stand.**



Tender Tickles

What You'll Do

Wiggle a feather under a baby's neck.

Say: **God made everything. God put feathers on birds. God made the feathers soft and tickly. The feather tickles your neck. ► GOD MADE US, and God made your giggles.**

Weaving Faith at Home

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TODDLER

1 GETTING STARTED

Sing and Celebrate

What You'll Do

As toddlers sing "God Made You" (track 3 on the CD) to the tune of "Humpty Dumpty," have them touch the parts of their bodies mentioned in the song. You may want to begin by singing the song without the CD so you can pause if necessary to help children touch their heads, toes, eyes, and noses.

 **God made your head,
And God made your toes.
God made your eyes,
And God made your nose.
Reach out your arms and bring them around,
Give me a hug before you sit down.
(Repeat.)**

Afterward, say: ► **GOD MADE US.**



Tender Tickles Supplies

Teacher Pack
feather

Weaving Faith at Home Supplies

My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the "Growing With Jesus" page (at the end of the lesson)

Weaving Faith at Home Easy Prep

Remove the Lesson 2 pages from each My Bible Snuggles student book.


Sing and Celebrate Supplies

CD player
Teacher Pack
CD: "God Made You" (track 3)





Add the following motions to “God, the Maker” (not on the CD) to the tune of “The Farmer in the Dell”:

 **God made the world.** (*point up to heaven; then trace a circle with hands*)
God made the world. (*point up to heaven; then trace a circle with hands*)
In my Bible book it says (*open hands like a book*)
God made the world. (*point up to heaven; then trace a circle with hands*)

God made your arms and legs. (*touch arms and then legs*)
God made your hands and feet. (*touch hands and then feet*)
In my Bible book it says (*open hands like a book*)
God made you very sweet. (*hug self*)

Afterward, say: ► **GOD MADE US.**

2 BIBLE EXPLORATION

Wonderful Bodies



Tip You can extend the life of the toddler and clothes pictures by laminating them.

What You'll Do

Set out the toddler picture and the clothing pictures. Just before you work with children, attach a very small piece of poster putty to each clothing item. Ensure children don't put the clothing items or putty in their mouths.

Gather a group of toddlers together. Open your Bible to Genesis 2:4-22, and tell children this is God's special book.

Say: **The Bible says the first people God made were Adam and Eve. And ► GOD MADE US, too. God made [name each child], and God made this little boy in our picture.** Hold up the boy picture. **Let's find his hands. Now, let's find your hands. God made your hands. Wonderful hands. I have mittens to put on the boy's hands.** Ask a toddler to help you place the mittens on the boy's hands. **Let's find the boy's legs. Now touch your legs. God made your legs. Wonderful legs.** Ask a toddler to help you place the pants on the boy's legs. **Let's find the boy's head. Where is your head? God made your head. Wonderful head!** Ask a toddler to help you place the hat on the boy's head. ► **GOD MADE US. God gave us wonderful bodies! Thank you, God, for wonderful bodies.**

Continue identifying body parts and removing and replacing clothing as long as children are interested.

Wonderful Bodies Supplies

Bible
removable adhesive
such as poster putty
Teacher Pack
“Wonderful Bodies”
teaching picture

Wonderful Bodies Easy Prep

Cut the “Wonderful Bodies” teaching picture in half along the marked line. Cut out each piece of clothing, and set these aside along with the picture of the child.



3

WEAVING FAITH
INTO LIFE

God Made My Hands!

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Cover a table or work area with newspapers or a plastic tablecloth. Set out tempera paint or Do-A-Dot paint markers and copies of the "God Made Me" page. Put paint smocks or old, adult-sized T-shirts on children. Have extra adults nearby with wet wipes to clean off toddlers' hands as they finish their handprints.

Say: ► **GOD MADE US so wonderfully. Look at your hands. God gave you fingers to pick up things. We're going to make pictures of our hands.**

Carefully rub a child's hand on the paint marker, or dip it into the tempera paint, and then print it on a copy of the "God Made Me" page. Help the child hold the painted hand away from his or her body while you print the other hand. Then have an adult take the child for hand washing while you print the next child's hands.

Say: ► **GOD MADE US. God made your hands. Wonderful hands!**

Head-and-Shoulders Praise

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Have children raise their hands way up high and then touch their heads.

Say: **God made your head. Wonderful head!** Have children touch their shoulders. **God made your shoulders. Wonderful shoulders!** Continue touching and praising God for the various parts of the body as long as toddlers are interested.

Say: ► **GOD MADE US!**

Weaving Faith at Home

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God Made My Hands! Supplies

- newspaper
- tempera paint or Do-A-Dot paint markers (available at toy stores or teacher supply stores)
- My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the "God Made Me" page (at the end of this lesson)
- paint smocks
- wet wipes (optional)

God Made My Hands! Easy Prep

Remove the Lesson 2 pages from each My Bible Snuggles student book.

Weaving Faith at Home Supplies

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Sing and Celebrate Supplies

CD player

Teacher Pack

CD: "God Made You"
(track 3)

"God Made" teaching
picture


2-YEAR-OLD

1 GETTING STARTED

Sing and Celebrate


What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Sing "God Made You" (track 3 on the CD) to the tune of "Humpty Dumpty" anytime during the lesson. Lead 2-year-olds in touching the parts of their bodies as you sing "God Made You." Once they've learned the song, try singing it without the CD. Start by singing very slowly, and then speed up each time.

 **God made your head,
And God made your toes.
God made your eyes,
And God made your nose.
Reach out your arms and bring them around,
Give me a hug before you sit down.**
(Repeat.)

Afterward, say: ► **GOD MADE US.**

As children sing "God, the Maker" (not on the CD) to the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell," have them do the motions indicated. Then point to items in the "God Made" teaching picture and make up new verses about things God has made. For example, instead of "God made the world," sing "God made the trees" or "God made flowers."

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God made you very sweet. *(hug self)*

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2 BIBLE EXPLORATION



Wiggly Wonders

Tip You can extend the life of the toddler and clothes pictures by laminating them.

What You'll Do ■■■■■■

Just before you work with children, attach a very small piece of poster putty to each clothing item. Ensure children don't put the clothing items or putty in their mouths.

Gather a group of children together.

Ask: **What are some wonderful things God has made?** Suggest items such as trees, flowers, and dogs if children are stumped.

Open your Bible to Genesis 2:4-22, and tell children this is God's special book.

Say: **The Bible tells us God made all things in the world. The Bible also says the first people God made were Adam and Eve. That was a long time ago! God made everybody, and ► GOD MADE US.**

Hold up the toddler illustration from the "Wonderful Bodies" teaching picture.

Say: **This is a picture of a child like you. Let's find his hands. Now let's find your hands. Clap your hands, and wiggle your fingers. God gave you wonderful hands. Let's put mittens on this boy's hands.** Have a child help you place the mittens on the boy's hands.

Say: **Let's find the boy's legs. Now touch your legs. Stand up and stomp your feet; then sit down and wiggle your toes. God made your wonderful legs.** Have a child help you place the pants on the boy's legs. **Now where is this boy's head? Where is your head? Look up, look down, and look all around. What wonderful heads you all have!**

Ask: **Who made your wonderful heads?** Let children respond, and then have children help you place the hat on the boy's head. Continue this until the child in the picture is dressed.

Say: **God gave us wonderful bodies. ► GOD MADE US, and it's good to thank God for our bodies. Let's thank God for our bodies right now by shouting, "Thanks, God!"**

Wiggly Wonders Supplies

Bible
removable adhesive
such as poster putty
scissors

Teacher Pack
"Wonderful Bodies"
teaching picture

Wiggly Wonders Easy Prep

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God Made Faces Supplies

crayons or washable markers
a few bowls of different cereals
My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the “God Made Me” page (at the end of this lesson)
wet wipes (optional)



God Made Faces Easy Prep

Remove the Lesson 2 pages from each My Bible Snuggles student book.

Soft-Touch Praise Supplies

1 cotton ball per child

Weaving Faith at Home Supplies

My Bible Snuggles or 1 copy per child of the “Growing With Jesus” page (at the end of the lesson)

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WEAVING FAITH INTO LIFE

God Made Faces

What You'll Do

Set out large crayons or washable markers, small bowls of various breakfast cereals, and copies of the “God Made Me” page. (You may want to put a plastic tablecloth under your work area for easier cleanup.)

Say: ► **GOD MADE US. God made our wonderful faces with eyes to see, noses to smell, and mouths to taste yummy treats. Let's make pictures of the wonderful faces God made for you.**

Help children each draw a face outline on their papers. Then have them clean their hands. Next, help them select and place different kinds of cereal to create eyes, noses, mouths, and hair for their faces. As they work, point out the uniqueness of each child's features.

Say: **Every face is different. ► GOD MADE US each in a special, wonderful way.**

Encourage children to eat their cereal pieces.

Soft-Touch Praise

What You'll Do

Form pairs, and give each child a cotton ball. Show children how to use the cotton ball to touch their partner's head, face, arm, or leg. Remind kids to be gentle as they touch each other. As children touch their partners, work with them to thank God for the body parts they're touching. For example, you might say with a child, “Thank you, God, for Joshua's fingers” or “Thank you, God, for Alexa's hair.”

Say: ► **GOD MADE US!**

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Growing With Jesus



Your child learned that God made us (from Genesis 2:4-22). Your child participated in one of the following activities today. You can do these activities with your child to help your child grow with Jesus throughout the week.

INFANT

Amazing Motion

Lay your baby on his or her back on your lap. Support baby's head and gently lift baby's shoulders.

Say: **God made us, and God made your head and neck.** Gently raise and lower your baby's arms. **God made us, and God made your arms to move up and down.** Gently bend and straighten your baby's legs. **God made us, and God made your legs to bend and unbend.** If your baby can stand, hold your baby up and bounce his or her legs on your lap. **God made us, and God made your legs to bend and bounce.**

TODDLER

Head-and-Shoulders Praise

Have your child raise his or her hands way up high and then touch his or her head.

Say: **God made your head. Wonderful head!** Have your child touch his or her shoulders. **God made your shoulders. Wonderful shoulders!** Continue touching and praising God for the various parts of the body as long as your toddler is interested.

Say: **God made us!**

2-YEAR-OLD

Soft-Touch Praise

Sit with your child, and give him or her a cotton ball and keep one for yourself. Show your child how to use the cotton ball to touch your head, face, arm, or leg. Then do the same to your child. As you touch each other, together thank God for the body parts you're touching. For example, you might say, "Thank you, God, for fingers" or "Thank you, God, for hair."

Say: **God made us!**



Inherent Value

If you want your child to treat others with respect, begin by helping him or her understand that God made people. Remind your child that we're special because God made us. God cares about the people he made, and God wants us to care for them, too!



Use these ideas to help your child become a FaithWeaver:

- Praise God together every day for making your child in an amazing, wonderful way.
- Play Peekaboo with your child's feet by putting on and removing his or her socks. Thank God for feet.



God Made Me

And I Love You!

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