

BANANA NEWS



GO DEEPER

SPECIAL WORDS

GOD

(POINT UP)

IS CREATOR

(PLACE ONE FIST ON TOP OF THE OTHER IN A POUNDING MOTION)

MEMORY VERSE

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. **Romans 12:2**

BIBLE PASSAGES

DAY 1: Read - Genesis 1:1-8

On day one, God created the light and the dark. Let's close our eyes. Wow! It's dark! Now open them. Hooray for light! On day 2, God divided the water up so that there would be water and sky. Let's go outside and look at the clouds. What shapes do you see? Isn't God creative? Let's shout our special words together: **God is Creator!**

DAY 2: Read - Genesis 1:9-13, Romans 11:36

Let's go on a nature walk outside! Did you know that on day three, God made dry land? Before God did this, water covered the whole Earth! He made land, then He made plants and trees grow on the land. What is your favorite fruit or vegetable? God made those grow! Isn't that cool? Let's say our special words together in our squeaky voice: **God is Creator!**

DAY 3: Read - Genesis 1:14-19, Psalm 8:1-4

What bright light do you see in the sky during the day? (Sun). What do you see in the sky at night? (Moon, stars). Before you fall asleep tonight, see if you can spot the moon through your window. Can you count how many stars you see? God put the sun, the moon, and the stars in the sky on day four. He made so many stars that we can't even count them all! Let's say our special words together in our whisper voice: **God is Creator!**

DAY 4: Read - Genesis 1:20-31

Let's play pretend! Can you pretend to be a bird, flying through the air? How about a fish, swimming through the ocean? Now pretend to be your favorite animal! See if your family can guess what animal you are! On day five, God made birds and fish, and on day six, He made all the other animals. But God also made something else on day six, something really special - He made people like you and me! Let's say our special words together in our robot voice: **God is Creator!**

DAY 5: Read - Genesis 2:1-2, Psalm 121:4, Exodus 31:13

Run in place for a few minutes. Do your legs feel tired or do you feel like you need to catch your breath? On day seven, God rested; but He did not rest because he felt tired, like you and I might after playing a lot. God did not sleep - He took a break from creating. He saw that all the things He made were good, and He was happy with them. God set an example for His people when He rested; He wants His people to rest by taking a break from their work too! Let's say our special words together in our deep voice: **God is Creator!**



Materials: Paper, Art Supplies

Take a piece of paper and fold it in half three times. Unfold the paper and hand your child a piece of paper. Talk about the days of creation. As you talk about each day have your child draw something on their paper that reminds them of that day in creation. Remember on day 7 God rested so you can rest and be finished with your picture.

- Day 1: God created light and dark
- Day 2: God divided the waters above and below
- Day 3: God created dry land and plants
- Day 4: God created sun, moon, and stars
- Day 5: God created all that creatures that and swim
- Day 6: God created animals and people
- Day 7: God rested





CREATION SCAVENGER HUNT

Materials: Creation Scavenger Hunt Guide

Get outside and enjoy what God has created! Use the guide and see how many elements of creation you can find. Do you remember what day each item was created on? As you find each item on the list think about what you just found. Is there a way to praise God for creating that specific thing you found? Psalm 66:4 says, "All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing the praises of your name." Use your time in nature to join in with creation in praising God!



CUDDLE CLOSE

Materials: None

Before bed pull your child close beside you and say, "God made you and God made me, God is Creator of everything!" As you tuck them into bed, sing, "Creation Song" (https://tinyurl.com/god-made-me). Then pray together, pausing after each phrase to let your child repeat after you:

Dear God.

Thank You for everything You created! Please help me to remember all the wonderful things You have made! Thank You for making me and for loving me! In Jesus' name, Amen.

God's creation Scavenger hunt

Enjoy a walk in God's creation and see what you can find?

