

## Today's Suggested Schedule—August 2025, Week 2

**Today's Bible Story:** Land, Plants, and Seas • *Genesis 1:9-13*

On day three, God made the land, plants, and seas.

**Memory Verse:** "God saw everything he had made. And it was very good." Genesis 1:31, NIV

**Key Question:** Who made everything?

**Bottom Line:** God made everything.

### Supplies Needed that are NOT included in the activity bags:

**Memory Verse Activity- Sea and Say**

- ☐ green and blue floor tape

**Bible Story Review- Be the...**

**Application Activity- Making Waves**

**Craft- Handprint Cactus**

- ☐ gluesticks
- ☐ permanent marker or black crayon

## 1. Memory Verse Activity- Sea and Say

### What You Need:

- ☐ Green and blue painter's tape

### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Create a set of wavy blue lines and a set of straight green lines on the floor parallel to each other. Review the verse and motions with the children.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to jump from the land (green lines) to the sea (blue lines), then say the verse after they make a big splash! Repeat as desired.

*After the Activity:* Connect the Memory Verse to the Bottom Line.

### What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Hello friends, come over and stand with me. Let's say our Memory Verse together as we do the motions. 'God (*flat hand with thumb to forehead, pull down*) saw everything he had made. (*Binocular eyes*) And it was very good,' (*two thumbs up*) Genesis 1:31. (*Open hands like a book*) Great job everybody!"

*During the Activity:* "Now let's all stand on the straight green lines. We'll pretend this is the land. When I count to three, we'll jump to the blue wavy lines and pretend that's water. We can splash in the water when we jump then we'll say our verse together. Ready? One, two, three, jump! Splash! Okay, let's say our verse. 'God saw everything he had made. And it was very good.' Genesis 1:3. This time, everyone will get to jump by themselves. [Child's name], go stand on the green lines and one, two, three, jump! Splash! Let's say our verse together. 'God saw everything he had made. And it was very good.' Genesis 1:3. (*Continue with each child. Repeat as desired.*) Great job everyone!"

*After the Activity:* "The Bible teaches us that God made the whole world and everything in it! God made you and **[Basic Truth] God made me! [Bottom Line] God made everything! Who made everything? [Bottom Line] God made everything!**"

## 2. Bible Story Review- Be the...

**What You Need:** No supplies needed.

**What You Do:**

*Before the Activity:* Spread out in your activity area.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to play everybody charades – everyone does the same movement to be the land, plants, and sea and guess what you are.

*After the Activity:* Review the Bottom Line.

**What You Say:**

*Before the Activity:* “Hello, hello! It’s wonderful to see you today! Come stand with me and spread out. We’re going to move our bodies in different ways to help us review today’s true story from the Bible.”

*During the Activity:* “Everyone copy my movement, then we’ll guess what we are. Ready? *(Pause.)* Great! For our first movement, lay flat on the ground. *(Pause.)* Trees and grass grow here. Any guesses? *(Give hints as needed.)* That’s right! We are being the land! God made the land! Alright, are you ready for our next movement? Stand up tall then reach to the ground with your hands. *(Pause.)* We’re really tall. Some of these have trees on them and others are just big rocks. Any guesses? *(Give hints as needed.)* You got it! We’re being mountains! God made the mountains! God made LAND! God made the dirt, sand, and rocks. God made tall mountains and sandy beaches. **[Bottom Line] God made everything!** Now get really tall and stretch your arms out wide. *(Pause.)* Any guesses? *(Give hints as needed.)* We’re a tree! God made all the trees! Here’s another! Put your hands above your head in a circle and if you can, put one foot up and rest it on your other leg. *(Pause.)* Any guesses? *(Give hints as needed.)* We’re being a beautiful flower! God made all the flowers! God made PLANTS! God made the trees and grasses and flowers. God made plants that grow food for animals and people to eat. God even made plants that grow in the water! **[Bottom Line] God made everything.** Now wiggle your body up and down and side to side. *(Pause.)* Any guesses? *(Give hints as needed.)* We’re being the seas! God made the seas! Seas are the water God made into oceans, lakes, ponds, and rivers. God made all the water. **[Bottom Line] God made everything!** That was so fun! You did a great job!”

*After the Activity:* “In our Bible Story we learned that on day three, God made the land *(stand up tall then reach to the ground with your hands)*, plants *(put your hands above your head in a circle and put one foot up and rest it on your other leg)*, and seas *(wiggle your body)*! Wow! **[Bottom Line] God made everything! Who made everything? [Bottom Line] God made everything!**”

### 3. Application Activity- Making Waves

#### What You Need:

- ☐ Blue sheet

#### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Spread the sheet on the floor in an open area. Gather children around the sheet.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to hold the sheet with both hands and slowly move their arms up and down to make waves across the sheet.

*After the Activity:* Review the Bottom Line and Bible Story.

#### What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* “Friends, come over here with me and let’s stand around this big, blue sheet.”

*During the Activity:* “Reach down and grab the edge of the sheet with both hands like this. *(Demonstrate.)* Now, slowly move your arms up and down. *(Pause.)* Awesome! What does the sheet look like to you? *(Pause for answers.)* Yes! It looks like waves on the water. Let’s freeze the waves. *(Pause.)* Good job! The water is nice and calm but let’s make more waves. *(Repeat as desired.)* Freeze the waves and lay the sheet on the ground. *(Pause.)* That was so much fun making waves with you today.”

*After the Activity:* “In our Bible Story we learned that on day three, God made the land, plants, and seas. When you look around at the great big world and see the plants and trees, and waves in the sea, you can say, WOW! **[Bottom Line] God made everything! Who made everything? [Bottom Line] God made everything!**”

#### Inclusive Pro-Tips:

- For a version with less movement. Seat children in a circle around the parachute.

#### 4. Craft- Handprint Cactus



##### What You Need:

- ☐ “Handprint Cactus” Activity Page
- ☐ Bright pink tissue paper- 3 per child
- ☐ Black crayon
- ☐ Glue sticks
- ☐ Permanent marker

##### What You Do:

*Before the Activity:* Write each child’s name on their handprint with the permanent marker. Add black dots with a marker or crayon to make it look like a cactus.

*During the Activity:* Encourage children to glue the cutout pot to the bottom of their handprint. Ask children to wad their pieces of tissue and glue them onto their handprint.

*After the Activity:* Review the Bible Story and Bottom Line.

##### What You Say:

*Before the Activity:* “Hello, hello friends! Come sit at the table with me and let’s create a prickly cactus plant with your handprints!”

*During the Activity:* “You have your green handprint, and a brown cutout pot for it to go in! Glue the pot to the bottom of your handprint. (*Help as needed.*) Great! Now take the three pieces of pink tissue and wad each one up. (*Pause.*) Glue them to your handprint. (*Pause.*) Did you know that some cactus plants make pretty pink flowers? They do! (*Pause.*) Fantastic! Let’s clean our hands and we’ll let these dry.”

*After the Activity:* “On day three, God made the great big land. God gathered the waters together and called them “seas.” Then God made things start growing on all that land! Trees big and small; trees with big leaves and small; even trees with fruit to eat! God also made the grass, plants, and flowers! God is so creative! Let’s review days one, two, and three! On day one, God made light and separated it from the darkness. On day two, God made sky over the water. On day three, God made land, plants, and sea. But God wasn’t done yet...because God made EVERYTHING. Now when you look around at the great big world and see trees and grass and flowers, you can say, ‘Wow! **[Bottom Line] God made everything!**’ Who made everything? **[Bottom Line] God made everything!**”