

Today's Bible Story: Light and Dark; Sky Above Water • *Genesis 1:3-8*

On days one and two, God made the light and the sky above the water.

Key Question: Who made everything?

Bottom Line: God made everything.

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

1. Build a Rocket Ship

What You Need: Build a Rocket Ship Activity page, shape cutouts, glue sticks, crayons or markers.

What You Do:

Before the Activity: Place the activity page, shapes, glue sticks, and markers/crayons on the table.

During the Activity: Encourage children to color their rocket ship. Then use their glue sticks to glue on the shapes. Match each shape to its corresponding shape on the activity page as indicated by the dashed lines.

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

What You Say:

Before the Activity: "Friends! Come join me at the table! You are going to make your very own rocket ships today!"

During the Activity: "Use the markers to decorate your rocket ships. *(Pause.)* How amazing! Now let's use our glue sticks to glue each shape to its matching shape on your paper. *(Pause.)* Wonderful!"

After the Activity: "Today our true story from the Bible begins in the very beginning when there was nothing. No people, no animals, no land, no ocean, no sun, just nothing . . . but there was God. Then God made the heavens and the whole, wide world!"

"And God was about to do something AMAZING! On the first day, God said: 'Let there be . . . light!' And there was amazing, bright, shining light! And God saw that it was good. Then God decided to separate the light from the darkness. He called the light 'day,' and the dark, 'night!'"

"On the second day, God said, 'Let there be a sky above and water below.' God put some water WAY down low. And God put the sky way up high. Then God looked at what He had made and saw that it was good."

“God is so creative! God had so many more plans of what to make next, because God made everything! Now when you look around at our great big world and see the light and dark, and the sky above the water, you can say, ‘Wow! **[Bottom Line] God made everything! Who made everything? [Bottom Line] God made everything!**”

2. Pray

“What are some things we can do during the day (play with friends or eat lunch) and things we do at night (take a bath and get ready for bed) and night? *(Allow for responses)* Let’s pray and thank God for making day and night. Dear God, You are awesome! There is no One like You! Only You can make light and separate it from the darkness—we can do things in the day and at night. That is SO cool! Please help us remember that You made everything every time we go to sleep and wake up in the morning. We love You, God! In Jesus’ name. Amen.”