

# GOD MADE ANIMALS



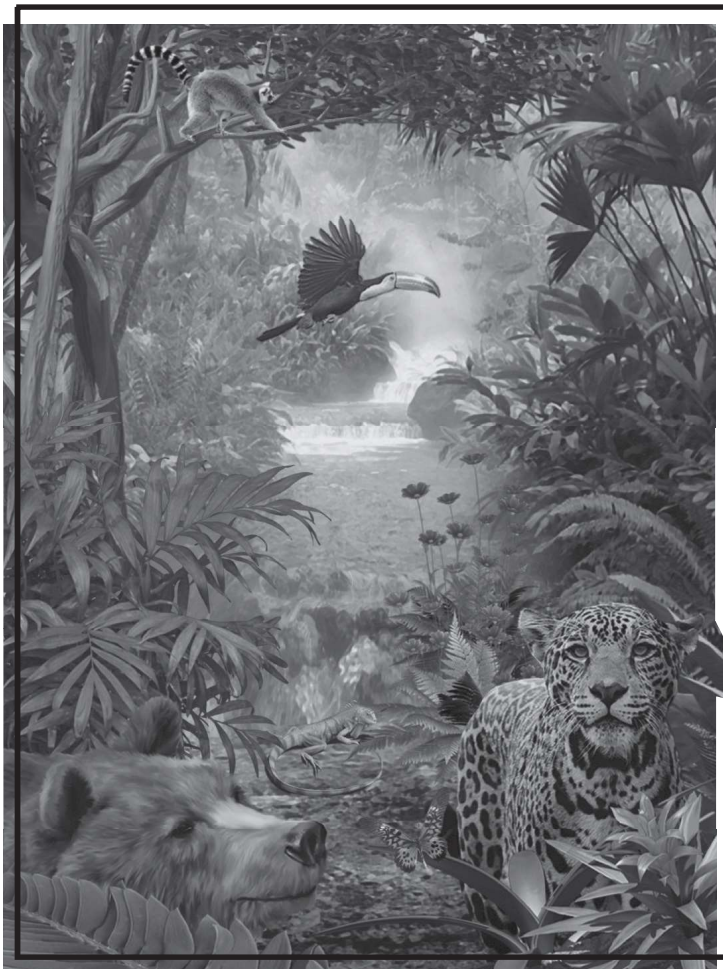
## TRANSITION/GROUP TIME

### BIBLE STORY STATEMENTS

- » God made fish and other animals to live in water.
- » God made birds and other things with wings to fly in the sky.
- » God made the wild animals and the livestock (cows, horses, and sheep).
- » God made animals to crawl on the ground.
- » God said all that He made was good.

### BIBLE WORDS TO HEAR

- » fish, birds, animals



### ROOM

### YOUR TEACHING PARTNER(S)

### DATE OF USE

### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God made day, night, plants, sky, sun, moon, stars, animals, water, birds, fish, and people.

### SCRIPTURE REFERENCE

Genesis 1:20-25

### BIBLE VERSE

The earth is full of the living things God made.  
*Psalms 104:24*

### LIFE POINT

God made all of the animals.

### DON'T FORGET

Use a calm, quiet voice.

Focus attention on the babies.

Review parents' instructions and any medical information.

Put take-home items in children's bags.

Make a final diaper check.

Release children to authorized adults.



## BIBLE-LEARNING ACTIVITIES

### ENJOY BOOKS

**Gather:** Bible, books about animals, blanket, assorted toy animals, pillows

**Do:** Spread out the blanket in a quiet area of the room. Arrange the Bible, books, and animals on the blanket.

- » Guide a crawling baby to discover the books and animals. Position a younger infant on the blanket where she can touch and explore the items. Lay babies on their stomachs on the pillows.
- » Talk about the different animals as the babies play: “You are holding a bear. Bears are wild animals that live in the forest.”
- » Look at the books with a baby. Point to the pictures. Say the names of the animals.
- » Open the Bible and turn to the Bible Verse. Read aloud: “The earth is full of the living things God made. Psalm 104:24.”

### PLAY WITH TOY FISH

**Gather:** Bible, toy fish

- » Show the fish. Say: “God made many different kinds of fish. Fish live in the water.”
- » Invite the children to play with the fish.
- » Tell today’s Bible story statements as the children play.
- » Say: “God made all the animals and all that He made was good.”
- » Show and name the types of fish.
- » State: “We can say thank you to God. Thank You, God, for fish and all You have made.”

### MOVE ANIMAL FIGURES

**Gather:** Bible, toy animal figures, large cookie sheet, clear contact plastic, muffin pan, painter’s tape, scissors

**Do:** Place the cookie sheet upside down on floor. Tape contact plastic, sticky side up, to the bottom of the cookie sheet. Stand animal figures on the contact plastic. Place the muffin pan nearby.

- » Look at the animal figures with a baby. Invite a baby to move the animals from the cookie sheet to the muffin pan.
- » Say the types of animals and talk about the differences as the baby plays. Let the baby move the animal figures back and forth.
- » Tell the Bible story statements.
- » Remark: “God made all of the animals. All that God made was good.”

### PLAY WITH PULL TOYS

**Gather:** Bible, plastic or wooden pull toy animals, toy animals, string, small wagons

**Do:** Arrange the pull toys on the floor. Cut pieces of string and tie to the toy animals to make pull toys.

- » Invite a crawling baby to pull an animal on the floor. Sit with an infant and help her push and pull an animal back and forth in front of her.
- » Say the Life Point: “God made all of the animals. People can help care for the animals God made.”
- » Tell the Bible story statements as the children play.
- » Fill a wagon for a child to empty and fill again.
- » Remark: “All that God made was good.”
- » Pray, thanking God for the animals.
- » Remove the strings from the toy animals when not monitoring the play with them to prevent choking hazards.