



DAY-to-DAY

NOTE TO PARENTS: The goal of this series is to teach kids how to live out their faith in the day-to-day, talking with God in the everyday moments without it feeling like faith is something to check off a to-do list.

Each week will follow a theme, and have a list of suggestions that can be slotted into your daily routine. Please don't feel pressured to do everything! Pick a couple of things you think your kids will enjoy. This isn't meant to be a sit down lesson, but easy-to-put-together activities that can be done whenever you have a chance. A lot of the content is play based, using games as a tool to get kids thinking about God and creating intentional conversations.

WEEK ONE: God is...Creator

Aim: For kids to understand they're wonderfully made by God. The beautiful and complex world around us is evidence of a creator and helps us understand God's character.

Memory Verse

Isaiah 40:28b NLT "The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of all the earth. He never grows weak or weary. No one can measure the depths of his understanding."

Suggestions:

- Put the words to a well-known tune and sing the verse.
- Post the verse by your sink & recite it while you wash your hands.
- Turn it into a puzzle. Write each word of the verse onto a small piece of paper. Shuffle them up and put them into order.
- Create actions for each of the words to help you.

Things to do...OUTSIDE

Get outside and enjoy creation!

Suggestions:

- Go for a walk, talk about what you see.
- Make a picture using sticks, leaves and things you find outside.
- Create your own Olympics in the backyard. Our bodies are part of creation and they're wonderfully made!

Things to do...INSIDE

God is our creator, and we're made in His image.

We have creativity in us too!

Suggestions:

- Draw your favourite animal, or create a brand new creature!
- Use the things in your recycle bin to make something you'd see outside.
- Make some salt dough (Google a recipe) and have fun creating.

Things to watch...

Suggestions:

- Right Now Media has some great resources. If you don't have an account, please email the church and we'll set you up with a free login.
 1. 5 minute family devotional – Old Testament Heroes, episode 1, Adam: Made in God's Image
 2. Superbook, Season 1, episode 1, In the Beginning
 3. Tim Mackie, Read Scripture Series, episode 1, Genesis Part 1
- Find a show about creation. (The BBC's Blue Planet or National Geographic have some awesome videos available on YouTube.)

Things to read...

Suggestions:

- Read the creation story in Genesis.
- C.S. Lewis, *The Magician's Nephew*, The first book in the Chronicles of Narnia. A great story in and of itself; it also tells the story of the creation of Narnia and would be an awesome discussion starter.

Things to talk about...

Suggestions:

- Ask your kids about their favourite parts of creation. Seasons, smells, sounds, places, animals, things to do...the list goes on and on.
- Play 'Would You Rather?' Give 2 options and you have to pick your favourite. Use it as a way to start thinking about the variety there is in creation. 'Would you rather have a long neck like a giraffe or a long torso like a wiener dog?'

Things to think about...

- Why did God create people?
- Why did God create such a beautiful and diverse world?
- What does creation teach us about God's character?

You were made for a purpose and creation was designed for you to enjoy. God loves you and wants a friendship with you!

