



MONKEYS

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MAY NEWSLETTER

April showers bring May flowers, and flowers are one of the things God created! During May your child will learn about the story of creation and that **God wants me to celebrate His creation!** Point out God's creations to your toddler when you take a walk, feed the dog, play in the park, and eat dinner and celebrate His creations together.

Use the May songs to continue teaching your child that **God wants me to celebrate His creation** and supplementing the activities done in eKidz at home with your child. Check out page 2 for ideas!



Every Monday see what eKidz is teaching your child with the Weekend Wrap-Up on the eKidz Blog: www.elevationKidz.com

MONTHLY FOCUS

GOD WANTS ME TO CELEBRATE HIS CREATION!

BIBLE STORY

Genesis 1 - 2:2

PRAYER TIME SONG

to the tune "Mary Had a Little Lamb"

Time to talk to Jesus now,
Jesus now, Jesus now.
Time to talk to Jesus now,
Quietly we'll pray.

Time for us to fold our hands,
Fold our hands, fold our hands.
Time for us to fold our hands,
Quietly we'll pray.

Time for us to bow our heads,
Bow our heads, bow our heads.
Time for us to bow our heads,
Quietly we'll pray.



God Made Me and All of You (to the tune "London Bridge")

God made me (point to self) and all of you (point to others),
All of you (point to others),
All of you (point to others).

God made me (point to self) and all of you (point to others),
He made it all (hug self)!

Repeat

He Made the Whole World

(to the tune "He's God the Whole World in His Hands")

He made the whole world, with His hands.
He made the whole world, with His hands.
He made the whole world, with His hands.
He made the whole world with His hands.

Repeat replacing the following objects of creation for "whole world."

The light, sky, and water
The fruits and the veggies
The animals and people



CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION

Listed in bold are the activities your child completed in eKidz. Use the activities they completed with the information below to supplement what they are learning this month. Each activity reviews our monthly focus and Bible story, and provides you focused interaction with your child.

Light So Bright activity - Your child learned that God created the light, sky, land, and water on Days 1 and 2 of creation. Continue the lesson at home with a fun activity called *Light So Bright*. Grab a flashlight and help your child turn off the lights in a room. Turn the flashlight on, point it at an object, and say, "let there be light." Ask your child, "what is the light shining on?" Continue shining the flashlight on objects around the room, each time saying, "Let there be light," and asking your child "what is the light shining on?" Say, "God created light, and everything we see! Let's celebrate God's creations. I'm going to shine the light on you and I want you to dance a celebration dance!"

The Big Bucket activity - Your child learned that God created trees, plants, and flowers on Day 3 of creation and had fun participating in *The Big Bucket* activity. Create *The Big Bucket* at home and use it all month to teach your child that **God wants me to celebrate His creation!** Find a bucket or pillowcase and fill it with the items below. Once you fill your bucket, have your child pull out one item at a time and ask, 'what is this?' 'Who created this?' Explain what each item is and lead your child in saying, 'God created it!' Celebrate God's creations every time you pull an item out of the bucket. You can clap, dance, and/or throw your arms up in the air to celebrate each of God's creations.

The Big Bucket items:

Flashlight - God created light

Bag of dirt - God created land

Plastic fish - God created the fish and birds

Man or woman toy figure - God created people

Water or sky picture - God created water and sky

Star picture - God created the stars, moon, and sun

Plastic animal - God created animals

Creation rhyme - As we continue our focus on creation, your child learned that God created the sun, moon, stars, fish, and birds on Day 4 and 5 of creation. Your child learned a new rhyme to help them remember what God created. Do this fun rhyme with your child as a way to celebrate God's creations:

God made the sun, (*hold arms in a circle over your head*)

Up in the sky. (*point up*)

God made the fish, (*put palms together and wiggle hands back and forth*)

And the birds that fly. (*place hands under arms and flap them up and down*)

God made the lion, ("Roar")

God made the lamb. ("Baa")

God made our world, (*hold arms out and turn in a circle*)

See how happy I am? (*smile and point to smile*)

Fuzzy Sheep craft - As we end our month learning about creation, your child learned that God created animals and people on Day 6 of creation. Your child had fun creating a fuzzy sheep to help them remember that God created animals. To continue the lesson at home, name different animals (*sheep, cow, horse, rooster, duck, dog, cat, pig, lion, donkey, etc.*) and ask your child, "what sound does this animal make?" Say, "God created all these animals, but He saved His best creation for last. The last thing He created was people - you and me! Let's celebrate by praying to God and thanking Him for creating us!"

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