

3s/4s**SEPTEMBER 20, 2026****KEY QUESTION:****WHO MAKES GOOD THINGS?****BIG IDEA:****GOD MAKES GOOD THINGS.****VERSE OF THE MONTH:****“GOD SAW ALL THAT HE HAD MADE, AND IT WAS VERY GOOD.” GENESIS 1:31****BIBLE STORY:****CREATION: DAY 5 – GENESIS 1:20-23****OVERVIEW****Centers****Large Group****Circle Time****Table Time****Play Time**

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FLOOR CENTER

GO FISHING

Today we will learn that God made the fish and the birds. During this activity, the children will pretend to catch fish.

Supplies:

1. Blue plastic tablecloth
2. Sturdy laundry baskets (2)
3. Die-cut fish (20)
4. Dowel rods (2-4)
5. Pieces of twine (2-4, 12" long)
6. Magnets (2-4, at least 3" long)
7. Jumbo paper clips (20)
8. Painter's tape

How-To:

1. Create fishing poles by taping one end of a piece of twine to each dowel rod and the other end of the twine to a magnet.
2. Tape the tablecloth to the floor to be "water" and place the laundry basket "boats" on top.
3. Attach the paper clips to the fish and spread them out all over the "water."
4. Help the children take turns catching fish by sitting in a "boat" and using a fishing pole to "catch" the fish.

Say This:

Before the Activity:

Who wants to go fishing? *(Let children respond.)* Today we're going to hear something awesome about fish. I thought it might be fun to catch some fish right now! We will take turns getting into the boats and fishing. When you catch a fish, you can keep it in your boat. When your turn is over, throw all your fish back into the water. This is going to be fun!

During the Activity:

(Assist and encourage the children as they catch the fish.)

After the Activity:

You all are amazing fishermen! Wow! You caught so many fish!

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CIRCLE TIME

What You Need:

1. Bible
2. Stickers

Say This:

Prompt the children to remember what they learned in The Playhouse. Celebrate when they remember!

- God made animals that live under the water. They are called (*fish*).
- God made animals that fly, called (*birds*).
- Whenever you see fish in the water and birds in the sky, you can say, (“*Thank you, God*”).
- God makes good (*things*).

Practice the Verse:

Open the Bible to remind the children that our verse comes from the Bible.

Are you ready to practice our Bible verse? (*Let children respond.*) Okay, let’s all say it together.

“God (*point up*) saw all that he had made (*spread arms out*), and it was very good (*thumbs up*)”
Genesis 1:31. (*Open hands like a book.*)

Now, who wants to try saying it by yourself? (*Reward each child with a sticker for saying the verse.*)

Talk About It:

Today we learned that God made the fish and the birds. He made some very good things! Do you know any types of fish or birds? Let’s think of some together. (*Help the children think of types of fish and birds. Examples might be a goldfish, clown fish, shark, chicken, eagle, or bluebird.*)

Let’s pray and thank God for making good things!

Pray:

Dear God, thank you for making all of the different kinds of fish in the sea and birds in the sky, like (*talk about the things you discussed*). Please help us remember that you made them all and they are good. We love you, God. Amen.

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TABLE TIME

PAPER FISH

Supplies:

1. “Paper Fish” Activity Page (1 per child, printed on white cardstock)
2. Construction paper (multiple sheets and colors)
3. Crayons
4. Glue sticks

How-To:

1. Give each child an Activity Page.
2. Encourage each child to color their fish.
3. Then, have them rip up construction paper pieces and glue the pieces onto their fish to make the fish scales.

Say This:

Before the Activity:

Today we learned that **[Big Idea] God makes good things.** He made the fish and the birds. He is amazing, and I’m so thankful that **[Big Idea] God makes good things.** We are going to make a fish to remind us of all the amazing things God has made.

During the Activity:

First, you’re going to color your fish, and then you can rip up some construction paper into small pieces and glue the pieces to your fish to make its scales (*hold up construction paper pieces*).

After the Activity:

These are great fish! Who has a fish at home? What color is he? Is he big or small? Does he swim really fast or really slow? What’s his name? (*Let children respond.*) You can hang your fish at home to remind you that **[Big Idea] God makes good things!** **[Key Question] Who makes good things?** **[Big Idea] God makes good things!**