

**MISSION
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I AM MEANT TO KNOW GOD



ALL STAR KIDS
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I am Meant to Know God Kindergarten - 5th grade

Leader Notes

Bible Passage: God Created the World- Genesis 1-2, Psalm 8

Bottom Line: We can know God through His World

Leader Context: We are meant to know God. One way God shows us Himself is through His world. We get to help kids know that God created everything- including them- and He has a great purpose in everything He creates.

THE WIN FOR SUNDAY GROUPS: Give kids a first look at The Bible, Jesus, and our need for a Savior by embracing their physical needs or engaging their interests. Use The Code when necessary to help redirect kids and build relationships.

Social

Games and Music (10 minutes)

What You Need: Instruction Page, Game Sets, Roku Game Instruction Page, painter's tape or masking tape

What You Do:

- Play worship songs and other songs available on Roku during the Social Game or while kids are playing.
- Using the supplies and game instruction page, choose one game to play with the kids today.
- As you are playing, use this as a time to call each kid by name and learn their names well.

Say: That was a fun game to get us ready to watch our Bible video. Let's sit and listen to our story today."

Videos

Bible Story Video (10 minutes)

Bible Story Recap- Say This

Today we learned that we are meant to know God and that one of the ways God shows us Himself is through His world. Everytong, say this together, "I am meant to know God!" We are all meant to know God. This means that we can learn about God, follow HIm, and trust everything that He says about who we are. The next time you are outside and see the leaves on a tree, the clouds passing above your head, or see a bird fluying around, you can remember that God made everything- not on accident, but on and for a purpose.

Let's pray together. Remember prayer is listening and talking to God.

God, thank You for creating each and every one of us. Thank You for creating all of the amazing things we see in nature. Help us learn morea about who You are and how we can follow You. In Jesus' name we pray, amen!

God wants people to know HIm so much, He sent us His Son, Jesus so we could really and truly HIm. Jesus came to be "God with us."

We can count on Jesus to be with us no matter what our circumstance. Sometimes, we may look at our world and only see the brokenness that is caused by sin. Sin is when we choose to do what we think is best instead of following what God says is best.

But we can know that nothing- and no one- is an accident! God made everything, and God is perfect. God's amazing world shows us that God is real and God's amazing Son gives us a way to know HIm and be friends with HIm. If you want to know more about God's amazing world and having a relationships with Jesus, I would love to chat with you about this more.

Creation Whirly (20 minutes)

What You Need: Creation Whirly printable (printed on blue and green paper and cut), yarn or ribbon (1 - 8 inch piece per kid), markers, stapler, scissors, Whirlybird printable (1 per kid)

What You Do:

Let's think about some things that creation tells us about God. Creation shows us God is powerful, He is creative, and He is good. What other things do you think creation shows us about God? *(Allow kids time to answer.)* I am going to give each of you five strips of paper. I want you to write one thing on each strip that creation shows you about God. *(Assist kids with ideas.)*

Once you have written something on each strip, stack the strips so that the shortest strip is in the middle of the stack and the longer strips are on the outsides. The pattern should be long, medium, short, medium, long. Stagger the strips so they get longer on either side. I will come around and staple the strips vertically on each end. Once your papers are stapled together, spread the loops out, and tie a piece of yarn through one end as a hanger."

Note: Be sure one end of the strips is lined up before stapling them. Then line the other ends up and staple.

Older kids: Using the Whirlybird printable, create a paper whirlybird and try to flip it as far as you can. Today we talked about how creation shows us how big God is. What do you think would be the furthest point you can flick your whirlybird? Is there going to be anywhere you flick it that God can't see or know about?

Say: "God wants us to know Him. One of the ways we can know God and who He is by looking at all the amazing things He has created. God uses His creation to help us know more about Him. He uses creation to show us that He is caring and good. He uses creation to show us that He rules over everything because He created everything. God wants us to know Him and understand that there is no other God like Him."

Discussion Questions:

- What are some interesting facts you know about nature, our world, and outer space? Or some things you may want to learn about? What is your favorite outdoor space or outdoor activity and what makes that place or thing so special?*(Allow kids time to answer and share your own answer.)*
- When you look at a leaf, you can remember that God made everything about that leaf on purpose and for a purpose. What are some other parts of nature and God's creation that you think are amazing? *(Allow kids time to share. Share your own experience. Trees because they seem to die in the winter and come back to life in spring, the ocean and how the tide always stops at a certain place, tadpoles and butterflies and how they transform into something totally different)*
- The Bible tells us we can know God through His world. Let's open our Bibles to Psalm 8:3-4 and read about it together. *(Invite kids to open up their Bibles. Read the passage aloud or invite a kid who volunteers to read the passage aloud. Help kids find the passage so everyone can follow along together.)* What is this passage teaching us?
- God is big and powerful and made absolutely everything. How can knowing that God created everything change the way we think, feel, and act when we are outside in nature?*Allow kids time to answer and share your own answer.*) God created everything and nothing was an accident- including all of us. How can knowing about God's power, creativity, and love help us when we wonder why we are here?

The Bible tells us we are meant to know God and that God shows us Himself through His world. He's made it possible to know Him, and that's amazing.

Prepare kids to talk with their family about what they learned today.

- Pass out coloring pages for kids to take home.
- As family members arrive to pick up their kid, greet them and tell them one thing you noticed about their kid that day or something you talked to each kid about remembering this week.
- If there is time to chat with the family, ask how you can pray for them this week.
- Say bye to the kid and call them by name.