



READY TO GO 4 WEEKLY PLANS

DESIGNED FOR GROUPS OUTDOORS TO
CONNECT TO GOD AND NATURE

bible verse and
theme

VERSE OF THE DAY:
Matthew 4:4
Jesus answered, "It is written in the Scriptures, 'A person does not live on bread alone, but by everything God says.'" (NIV)

GAME:
Find some items from a wander o around where you are and see what structures you can build.
Activity: Work together to build structures representing God's Kingdom. Discuss the qualities of God's Kingdom and how we can contribute to it.

"WORSHIP WALK"
Setup: Create a path with different stations representing various acts of worship (e.g. singing, praying, others).
Activity: People walk the path stopping at each station to participate in an activity related to worship. Emphasize the importance of worshipping God in all aspects of life.

TEMPLETON 4

BIBLE PASSAGE
Matthew 4:1-11

SCIENCE
Magnetism and Attraction
Materials: Needled Magnets, metal objects, non-metal objects.
Activity: Explore how magnets attract certain objects but not others. Discuss how we are attracted to different things in life, but we should focus on what truly matters - worshipping God. Relate the experiment to the temptation to worship worldly power.

GAMES

Wondering,



THOUGHT
Worldly power and riches are temporary, but God's Kingdom is eternal. I wonder what or who is most precious to you? How much do you think it would cost to buy everything you can see?
Wondering Questions:
I wonder why the tempter offered Jesus worldly power.
I wonder what it means to worship God alone.
I wonder how we can focus on building God's Kingdom.

SILENCE
As you sit or pause, what can you hear?
What might be worshipping God right now?

PRAYER
Dear God,
help us to worship you alone and not be tempted by worldly power and riches. Guide us to put you first in our lives. Amen.

CRAFT
Create a crown of thorns by cutting and twisting brown construction paper or twigs and grass.
Write "God is our King" on the crown, emphasizing the importance of worshipping God alone.

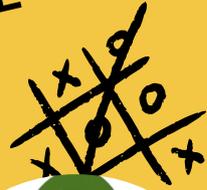
CRAFT
Create a jingle stick using bells and cotton onto a stick or threaded between two forks on a stick. Use these in your worship!



PRAYERS



SCIENCE



activities



Crafts

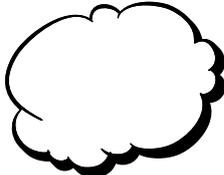




VERSE OF THE DAY: 

Genesis 1:3 –
"And God said, 'Let there be light,' and there was light."

GAME:
Shadow Tag –
try to step on others' shadows.

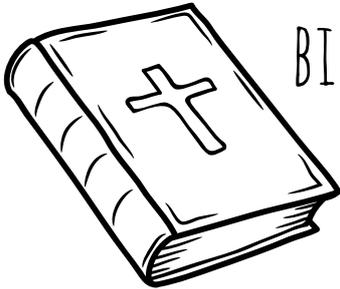
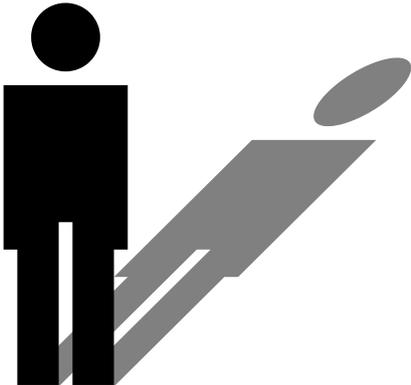
GAME 

Cloud Shape Race –

spot shapes in the clouds and name them.
Or you could cut out cloud shapes from newspaper, lay them on the floor and when music stops or on a command people have to jump onto the cloud.

SIMPLE SCIENCE

Explore shadows with flashlights or sunlight; see how they move. Who can make the longest shadow or the shortest?



BIBLE PASSAGE
Genesis 1

LIGHT & DARK



THOUGHT

God started creation with light. Light helps us see and guides our way. Just like God brings light to the world, He wants to bring light into our hearts. Even in dark times, His light can shine through us.

Wondering Questions:

1. How does God's light show up in your life?
2. What do you notice about the sky today that makes you thankful to God?
3. How can you be a light to someone else?

SILENCE

A wonderful book called The Candle Walk, leads you through the Examen at night on a dusk wander.



PRAYER

Thank You, God,

for light and sky.
Help us see Your beauty
in each day and night.

Amen.

Glow in the dark Jars

recycle old jam jars and use glow in the dark paint or stickers to decorate them. You could add some mini fairy lights or a tea light for a lantern reminder

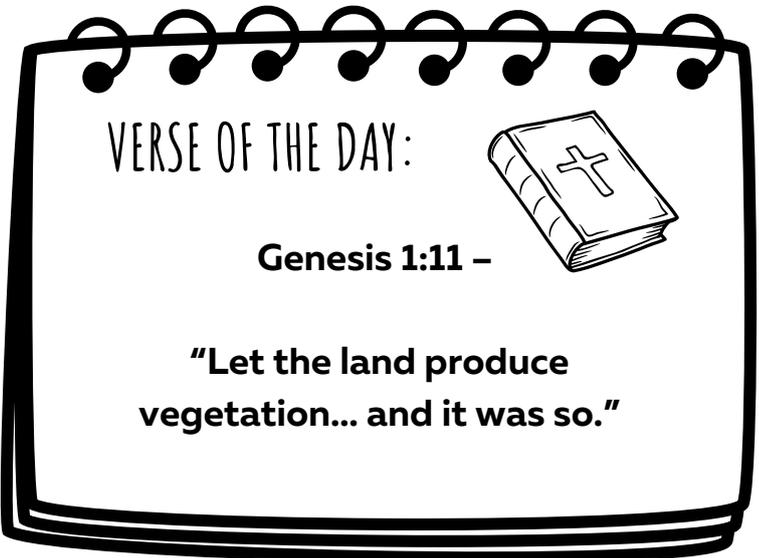


CRAFT

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Sun-sensitive paper, also known as cyanotype paper or sun print paper, changes color when exposed to sunlight. Lay items like leaves on it, place in sunlight and leave. Take a look and see the lights art work! This can also be done with construction paper but less effectively.

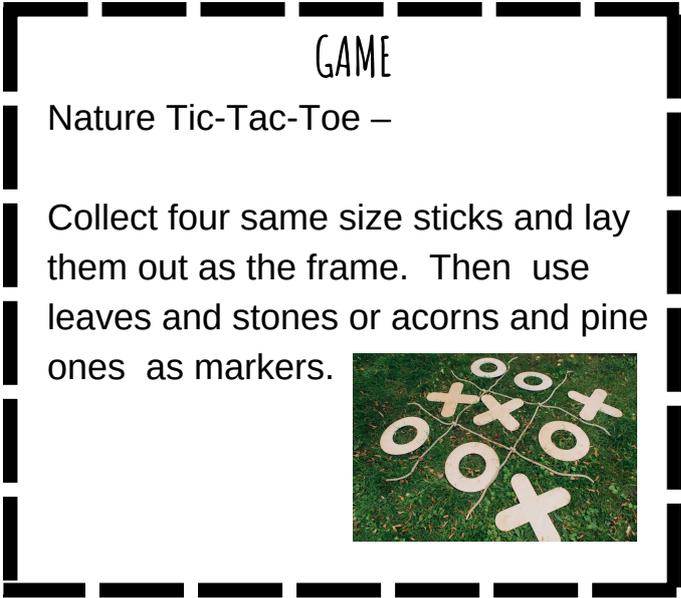


GAME:

Plant and Seed Hunt –

search for different types of leaves or seeds.

You could use our Leaf search as part of this. Bonus points for different colours!



Under the Magnifying Glass

Collect some leaves or plants and take a look at them using a magnifying glass (or microscope if you have one).

Try to see the veins and consider the colours. What do you notice on different leaves?



SIMPLE SCIENCE



BIBLE PASSAGE

Genesis 1





THOUGHT

God created plants for food, beauty, and life. Each plant is unique and shows God's creativity. We can learn to appreciate and care for the world around us.

Wondering Questions:

1. What plant or tree is your favorite and why?
2. I wonder how do plants help humans and animals?
3. I wonder if God loves the colours of Autumn?
4. I wonder what God's favourite plant is?

CRAFT

SEED PAPER

- Scrap paper (used printer paper, notebook paper, or newspaper)
- Water
- Blender or food processor
- Seeds (wildflower seeds, herbs, or small vegetable seeds)
- A flat tray or cookie sheet
- A screen, mesh, or paper towels
- Rolling pin or hands to flatten

Steps

1. Tear Paper: Tear scrap paper into small pieces (about 1-inch pieces).
2. Soak: Put the paper in a bowl and cover with water. Let it soak for 10–15 minutes.
3. Blend: Blend the paper and water into a pulpy mixture.
4. Add Seeds: Stir in seeds gently—don't blend them, or they might get damaged.
5. Form Paper: Spread the pulp onto a tray lined with screen or paper towels. Flatten it evenly with your hands or a rolling pin.
6. Dry: Let it air dry for 24 hours (or until fully dry).
7. Use: Once dry, cut into shapes. Plant the paper in soil, water it, and watch flowers or herbs grow!



God,

PRAYER

thank You for plants,
trees, and gardens.
Help us care for
the life You made.

Amen.

Leaf Prints –

CRAFT

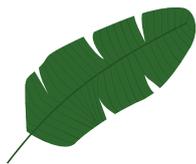
paint leaves and press
onto paper. You could
try adding other prints
such as pine cones or
sycamore leaves



COUNTING LEAVES



Find and count the following Leaves.



horse chestnut



oak



fern

Leaves



holly



ash



sycamore

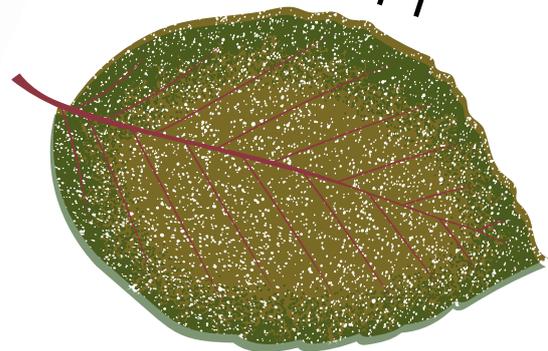
ivy



cherry



beech



pine





VERSE OF THE DAY:



Genesis 1:16 – "God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars."

Star Hunt –

hide paper stars for children to find. You could even try attaching some to the ceiling or tree branches to grab.



GAME:

Gather the group outside and explain that you'll be walking slowly and silently, noticing God's creation.

Choose three moments to pause:

- **Sun Pause** – Everyone closes their eyes, feels the warmth of the sun, and silently thanks God for light.
- **Moon Pause** – Everyone lies down or looks up at the sky, imagining the calm of night, and silently thanks God for peace and rest.
- **Stars Pause** – Everyone looks around for tiny details (sparkles on leaves, light in someone's eyes, or even actual stars if evening), and silently thanks God for the little wonders in creation.

SIMPLE SCIENCE

Time to Shine

Depending on your location, see if you can make a sundial. You could mark the hours with sticks and leaves or use a stick as the dial and watch the shadow.



BIBLE PASSAGE

Genesis 1



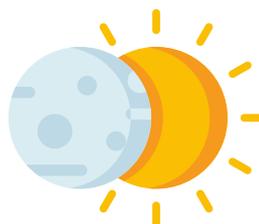
SUN, MOON & STARS



THOUGHT

God filled the sky and waters with amazing creatures. Birds sing, fish swim, and stars shine far above. Each creation has a special place in God's plan, just like you.

I wonder if God prefers the day or the night?
I wonder if God hears the stars?
I wonder if God has ever been near to you at night?



SILENCE

Sit outside and watch the sky. If it's daytime watch the clouds moving around, softly moving from one place to another.



PRAYER

God,
thank You for the
sun, moon and stars.
Help us notice Your wonders
in the skies and seas.
Amen.

CRAFT

Create a star wand using a stick and cardboard cut into a star shape. Wrap some string around the star and then go on a wander, adding treasures into the string as you go.



CRAFT



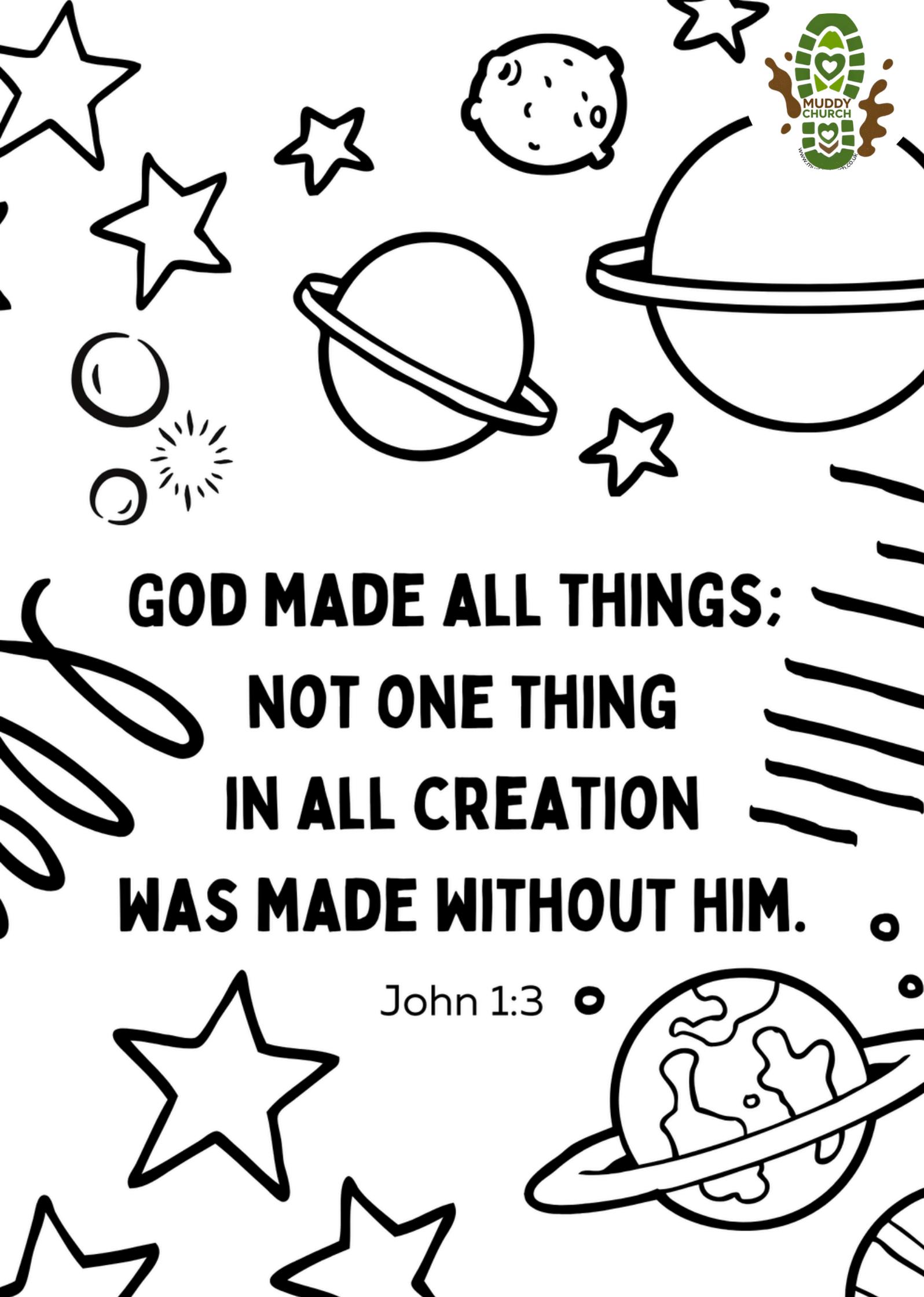
CONSTELLATION ART

Poke holes in black paper with push pins to form constellations. Hold up to the light to see the stars shine through.



**GOD MADE ALL THINGS:
NOT ONE THING
IN ALL CREATION
WAS MADE WITHOUT HIM.**

John 1:3 ●



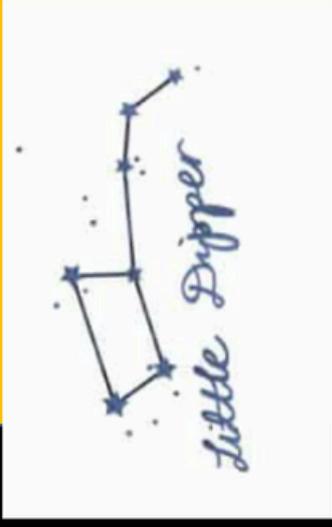
Can you see the first Quarter
Moon in the afternoon?



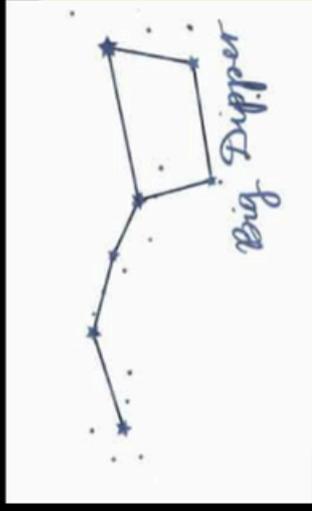
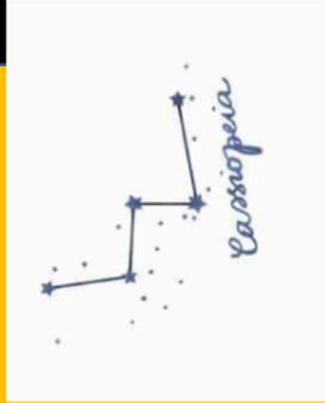
I wonder how high the sky is?

I wonder if you
can see God's work
in the sky?

★ How many stars can
you count?



Can you find any of
these constellations in
the night sky?





VERSE OF THE DAY:



Genesis 1:27 – "So God created mankind in his own image..."

GAME:

Animal Races

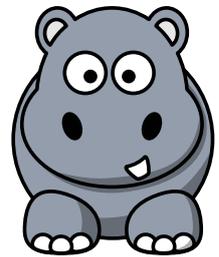


everyone picks an animal, it could be one that starts with the same letter as their name.

Then they must race, moving in the style of their animal.



ANIMAL FREEZE DANCE



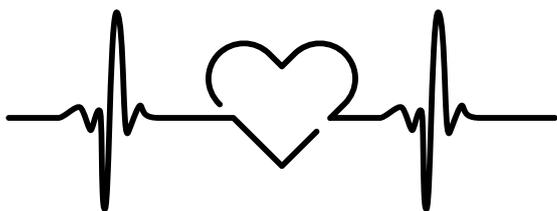
Everyone dances in an area. When the leader says Freeze like a... they should select an animal that everyone should pose like.

SIMPLE SCIENCE

Heartbeat Discovery –

Take your pulse after jumping, then again after lying still.

Talk about how the body slows and heals during rest.



BIBLE PASSAGE

Genesis 1



THEY WERE VERY GOOD



THOUGHT

God made humans and animals with care. Each of us reflects God's creativity. God also rested, showing us that rest and reflection are important for life.

Wondering Questions:

1. How are humans special compared to animals?
2. How can you care for animals and people around you?
3. Why is resting and reflecting important in your life?

SILENCE

Sit quietly and place your hand over your heart, or feel your pulse. Focus on the beats, you may want to tap out the sound or just hear it yourself. Thank God for His heartbeat within you.



**Thank You, God,
for humans, animals,
and rest.
Help us care for
creation
and honour Your work.
Amen**

PRAYER

Handprint Humans –

Draw around and cut out your hand print.

think how you can decorate with paint and affirmations.

If you know someone you could do henna tattoos or hear about the symbols used.



CRAFT



CRAFT

Creation Collage

Using sticks or rope draw the outline of a person. As a group, collect items to fill in the outline and add details. Things like pinecones make great hair or eyes. Or you could make individual drawings. .