



Road Construction Ahead!



Teacher's Thoughts

This lesson makes three points that are important to developing a biblical worldview. First, children need to understand that God created them. They did not evolve from apes. They were not a clever accident. They were created with a purpose. Secondly, God created them in His own image. Because of this fact, people are different than animals. We have both a body and a soul. And finally, God gave man dominion over His creation. We are to take care of His creation. However, this does not mean that His creation rules over us.

Not only did God create man; He continues to work on man. He is involved in each person's life. If we let Him, He continues to construct each one of us into the people He created us to be.

Supplies

Obtain & Prepare Before Class

1. PowerPoint CD or DVD
2. Car hop tray
3. Small carton or bottle of milk
4. Clear glass
5. Copy of page 11 (Help line disks)
6. Copy of page 12 (Questions)

Provided in the Kit

- ◆ "Hallelujah Hop" CD
- ◆ Checkered flag
- ◆ Inflatable guitar
- ◆ Three eggs of Silly Putty

Bible Point

*God
Created You*

Bible Story

*The Creation
of Man
Genesis 1:26-28;
2:18-23*

Bible Verse

*So God created man
in His own image.
Genesis 1:27*

(PP) Officer Fife



Supplies: None

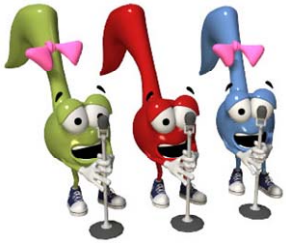
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Well, I'd best be letting you get on with your trip, now. Remember to slow down through the construction area and be patient!

(PP) (Siren begins and Officer Fife exits)

(PP) Puppet Song



"To Know Him is To Love Him" from Hallelujah Hop by Brentwood Kids, 1994.

(PP) Car Hop

Supplies: Car hop tray, small carton or bottle of milk, clear glass

(Enters with a carton or bottle of milk and a glass on tray.)

Was it your car that ordered milk?

(Go around asking different kids this question.)

Our call system is all messed up today and I am having a hard time figuring out who ordered this.

While I've been trying to find out who this belongs to, I've been thinking about this milk carton. It reminds me of people. (Open the carton.) People



have two parts: their bodies and their souls. (Pour the milk into the glass.) The milk in the carton is like our soul. The carton is like our body. God made us this way. Our body only lasts here on earth. But our soul lasts forever. Our body is just a temporary place for our soul. Just like the carton holds the milk, our bodies hold our souls.

(Sound-Honk! Honk! Car hop is startled, almost spilling the milk. Voice says: Hey Shirley, car 39 is still waiting on their milk.)

Oops! I guess that's the car that needs their milk. I'd better get them their milk quick!

(Car hop grabs glass of milk, places it on the tray and exits to music.)

Elvis

Supplies: Recording of "Hound Dog" song, guitar, Elvis wig

Elvis enters singing "Hound Dog". (There are many internet sites where you can legally download individual songs for a very small fee.)

When he finishes, he leaves.

Teacher:

God did not create us to be hound dogs. Some people walk around with a sad look on their face. They feel really bad about themselves. But the truth is God created each and every one of you. He made you special. He made you for a purpose. He made you in His image. Next time that you feel sad because someone has made fun of you, put your chin up and do not hang your head like a hound dog without a friend. Remember that God loves you and created you. How awesome that God created you just for Him. He loves your company. He loves to be with you.

Bible Story

Supplies: Help line discs (page 11), question cards (page 12)

Set up the room with two chairs facing each other.

It is time to play "Who Wants To Find The Truth?"

I need a contestant for "Who Wants To Find The Truth?". (Choose a child to come up front and sit in a chair. Sit across from the child.)

TEACHER TIP

The "honk" and "cooks voice" are included in the PowerPoint presentation.

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We are looking for truthful answers to some very important questions. The answers to these question come from the one place you can always find truth: the Bible. It is up to you as a contestant on “Who Wants To Find The Truth?”, to uncover the real answers. You will have three help lines for when you are having difficulty finding the truth.

Here are your help lines: (Hand discs to contestant as you read each help line.)

- (PP)
1. Ask a friend.
 2. Take away one answer.
 3. Ask the audience.

Are you ready to play “Who Wants To Find the Truth?”

Read each question and then the answers. Give the contestant a chance to answer. If he uses a help line, he should give you the card with the help line on it.

If he misses an answer, congratulate him on playing and call another contestant up.

Questions:

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- Whose image is man created in?**
1. Monkey
 2. God*
 3. Amoeba

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- Who has dominion over God’s creation, the earth?**
1. Animals
 2. Nobody
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- Who named the animals?**
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- Who did God find to be a companion for man?**
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 2. A purring cat
 3. A woman*

Thank you for helping us to find the right answers, here on “Who Wants To Find The Truth?”!

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In question one, we found out that God made man in His image. This means that man was made a spiritual being, not just given a body. Genesis 1:27 says, “So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them.” AMP

In question two, we learned that God also gave man dominion over the creation. In other words, man is to rule over it, taking care of the earth. Man was created above the animals. Genesis 1:26 tells us that mankind was to have “complete authority over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, the beasts, and over all of the earth, and over everything that creeps upon the earth.” AMP

Were you surprised with the answer to question three? God gave the first man, Adam, the job of naming all the animals. Genesis 2:19 and 20 gives us a picture of what happened. “And out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast and living creature of the field and every bird of the air and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them; and whatever Adam called every living creature, that was its name. And Adam gave names to all the livestock and to the birds of the air and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found a helper meet for him.” (AMP) What a job! Can you imagine getting to name the animals? Who would have thought of naming a duckbilled platypus or a hippopotamus?

Then, God knew that although animals can be wonderful companions and friends, man needed more. In question four, we learned that God gave Adam a companion, a woman. Genesis 2:21-23 tells of how God created a woman. “And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam; and while he slept, He took one of his ribs or a part of his side and closed up the place with flesh. And the rib or part of his side which the Lord God had taken from the man He built up and made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. Then Adam said, This creature is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of a man.” AMP

This first woman was named Eve. From Adam and Eve, all other people came. God created a beautiful place for Adam and Eve to live. Next week, we will learn about that beautiful place and about the terrible thing that happened there.

(PP) Prayer

Thank God for creating us. Ask Him to help the children to find His plan for their lives.

(PP) Drag Racing ~ Silly Putty® Pull

Supplies: One egg of Silly Putty® for each team

Pick three groups of two for this race (or more depending on how much Silly Putty® you have). Have each group see how far they can stretch their Silly Putty®. Set a time limit based on the size of your meeting area. The group with the longest Silly Putty® wins.

Silly Putty® is a fun thing to play with. It can be stretched without breaking. You can make it into all kinds of fun shapes. If you roll it into a ball, it will bounce. If you flatten it on a piece of paper, it will imprint the words from the paper onto the Silly Putty®.

We should be like the Silly Putty®. Sometimes God stretches us by bringing challenges into our lives. We should be stretched but not break. We should be moldable into whatever shape God wants us to be. And we should be so close to God, squeezing up against Him, that people can see his imprint on our lives. Are you letting God mold you like Silly Putty®? He created you. But He isn't finished with you yet. Make sure that you are willing to let God work on you.



TEACHER TIP

Demonstrate as you talk about the putty

Give-A-Way

Give Silly Putty® to each child to remind them that God created us.



Time Stretchers

Drive In

Movie: Flubber

Scene: The scientist experimenting in the basement. End when flubber leaves the lab.

VHS Start time: 12 minutes, 30 seconds

VHS End time: 18 minutes 26 seconds

DVD: Chapter 4, ending when flubber bounces up the stairs.

Discuss that flubber was created on accident. Did God create people on accident? What was his purpose for creating people? Do people live up to the purpose He has for us?



Craft Activity

Fingerprint Pictures

Supplies: Washable ink pads, white paper, markers, wet wipes (for easy clean up)

Each child should press his finger into the ink pad and then press it on the white paper. Use the markers to create animals or people from the fingerprint. Be creative! It may be helpful with younger children to do some examples for them to look at.



Memory Verse

Create a Man

Supplies: White board (black board or poster board)

“So God created man in His own image.” Genesis 1:27 (AMP)

Play this game like hangman, except create a man instead of hanging him!

On a board, put blanks for each letter in the memory verse. Divide the children into teams. Let each team take turns choosing a letter. When they choose a wrong letter, draw a part of the man. (Parts to draw: head, body,



arms, legs, hair, face) The first team to say the verse without drawing a man, wins.



Snack

Colorful Creations

Supplies: Different colors of fruit rolls/strips, paper plates

Cut the fruit rolls into different size shapes and strips. Let the children create pictures with their strips. Review the story of how God created man as the children work. When finished, they can eat their creation.

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Discussion:

- ◆ God created each person unique. Take turns sharing with each member of your family how God created that person unique and special.

Family Fun

Take turns drawing pictures of each other. While drawing, look at the person without looking down at the paper. Have fun with these new people creations!



Cruisin' in My Father's Car

