

Hikers - January

Theme Points



Theme: Creation

Central Question: Who made the world?

We live by the Bible...

What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

We learn...

It's God's book!

Who God is!

How to live!

Theme Points...

Genesis 1 – God made the world.

God is the Creator!

I enjoy God's creation!

Memory Verse: Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!*

Key Point: WHO made the world? GOD! WHAT did God make? EVERYTHING: sun, moon, stars, plants, animals & people! WHY did God make everything? Because He loves us and wants us to enjoy everything He created.

For Teachers: *Jehovah Bara* means the "The Lord your Creator." Two words in Hebrew mean "create" when translated into English. One, "to fashion," means to create out of pre-existing materials. The second means "to initiate" or create out of nothing. The second word is "bara." Only God can create something out of nothing due to His divine nature. We see this when God created the world in Genesis 1:1, 21, 27 & 2:3-4. We see it in Isaiah 65:17 when God creates a new heaven and earth. *Jehovah Bara* is also at work in us when He creates a new nature in us (Psalm 51:10). Only God can do this. (From: <https://mmatevich.wordpress.com/2010/08/07/jehovah-bara/>)

Class Schedule – to be done each week



Free Play (15-20 minutes)

Worship – 1-2 song videos

Snack – Children can have two small helpings of goldfish (use the snack scoop) and water.

Lesson – Teach the lesson while the children are eating snack. They are already sitting and ready to listen! See the weekly sheets attached for each lesson.

Transition Activity/Game –As the children finish snack invite them to join you on the floor for a Memory Matching Game. (Cards are color-coordinated, i.e. the blue cards match, the pink cards match, etc.) Give each child one card. Lay the rest of the cards face down on the floor. Have the children take turns finding the card that matches theirs. Talk about the things that God made in each picture.

Hiker Challenge – Use the play dough to make animals, plants and stars.

Hikers Week 1- Central Question: *Who made the world?*

Bible Time

Mighty Mouse



Teacher: Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

Mighty Mouse: I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

Mighty Mouse: What is the Bible?

Kids Respond: It's God's book!

What does it tell us?

Who God is!

What does it teach us?

How to live!

Mighty Mouse: Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!* Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

Mighty Mouse:

- God made all kinds of plants, animals and birds. Pretend to pick a flower. Can you smell it? Mmmm...flowers smell good. Pretend to pet a kitten. Kittens are soft. The Bible tells us that everything that God made was good.
- There's a letter in our Trail Log from a friend. Let's read it.

Trail Log Entry (Show the children the picture and read the entry from the Trail Log book.)



Dear Trail Log,

Hi! My name is Jeremy. One of my favorite things to do is climb trees. That's why I like camping. There are lots of trees to climb in the woods. I like looking at what I find in the trees. Sometimes I find ants or caterpillars. Some trees have birds' nests. In the fall when I climb an apple tree I can eat the apples. What I want to know is this: Where do trees come from?

See you later. Jeremy

Mighty Mouse: Let's tell Jeremy our memory verse so that he will know where apples come from. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!*

Mighty Mouse: Great job, kids! That will really help Jeremy. I need to go home now.

Teacher: Bye Mighty Mouse.

Hikers Week 2- Central Question: *Who made the world?*

Bible Time

Mighty Mouse



Teacher: Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

Mighty Mouse: I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

Mighty Mouse: What is the Bible?

Kids Respond: It's God's book!

What does it tell us?

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Mighty Mouse: Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!* Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

Mighty Mouse:

- God made all kinds of plants, animals and birds. Pretend to pick a flower. Can you smell it? Mmmm...flowers smell good. Pretend to pet a kitten. Kittens are soft. The Bible tells us that everything that God made was good.
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Dear Trail Log,

My name is Penny. Mommy and Daddy took me on a hike to the pond. On our way we saw some birds. We brought some bread to feed them. Most birds go where it's warm in the winter but some birds stay where it's cold. What I want to know is this: *Who made the birds?*

So long, Penny

Mighty Mouse: Let's tell Penny our memory verse so that she will know where birds come from. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!*

Mighty Mouse: Great job, kids! That will really help Penny. I need to go home now.

Teacher: Bye Mighty Mouse.

Hikers Week 3- Central Question: *Who made the world?*

Bible Time

Mighty Mouse



Teacher: Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

Mighty Mouse: I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

Mighty Mouse: What is the Bible?

Kids Respond: It's God's book!

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Mighty Mouse: Let's say the memory verse together. (Have the children take turns shining the flashlight on the memory verse. Say the verse and encourage the children to say it with you.) Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!* Let's listen while your teacher reads from the Bible.

(Teacher reads the Bible story.)

Mighty Mouse:

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Dear Trail Log,

I'm Benjamin. My dog Goldie is my best friend in the whole world. I like to chase her and sometimes she chases me! When I go hiking she runs down the trail in front of me and sniffs everything. When we went hiking yesterday she ran into the woods and was gone for a long time. I got scared that she wouldn't come back. My mom said I should pray about it. She said that God made Goldie and would take care of her. What I want to know is this: Does the Bible say that God made dogs?

See you later. Benjamin

Mighty Mouse: Did you ever wonder who made pets? Let's tell Benjamin our memory verse so that he will know too. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!*

Mighty Mouse: Great job, kids! That will really help Benjamin. I need to go home now.

Teacher: Bye Mighty Mouse.

Hikers Week 4- Central Question: *Who made the world?*

Bible Time

Mighty Mouse



Teacher: Look who's here. It's Mighty Mouse!

Mighty Mouse: I'm mighty because I know the Bible.

Mighty Mouse: What is the Bible?

What does it tell us?

What does it teach us?

Kids Respond: It's God's book!

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Dear Trail Log,

My name is Millie. I like to look at the moon and the stars in the sky. Sometimes the moon is big and round. Sometimes it is a tiny sliver. The stars are twinkly. When there are no clouds I can see lots of them. What we want to know is this: Who made the moon and stars?

So long, Millie

Mighty Mouse: Millie likes to look at the moon and stars. Let's tell Millie our memory verse so that she will know who made them. (Shine the flashlight on the memory verse.) Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!*

Mighty Mouse: Great job, kids! That will really help Millie. I need to go home now.

Teacher: Bye Mighty Mouse.