

## January - Walkers

### Toddler Tips



Keep in mind that our Walkers are very young. They are not yet ready to sit in a circle and listen. The best approach is to read the Trail Log and do the lesson with Mighty Mouse while they are eating snack. They are already sitting! Children this age learn best through play. Use the **Play-Time Connection** to talk to them about the lesson throughout the morning while they are playing.

### Theme Points



**Theme:** Creation

**Central Question:** *Who made the world?*

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

**Bible Passage:** Genesis 1:1 – 2:4 The Biblical account of creation.

**Key Point:** WHAT did God make? EVERYTHING: sun, moon, stars, plants, animals & people! WHY did God make everything? God loves us and wants us to enjoy everything that 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/>)

### Play-Time Connection

**Toy Time** – Use the “Creation Mystery Box”. Have each child reach inside the box and pull out an object. Ask them what it is and who made it. God made it!

**Sensory Bottles** Shake up the bottles and watch the objects inside. Ask a child to find a certain object. Tell the child how it connects to the lesson.

**Bible TREK Velcro Train** Invite the children to pull off the pictures and put them back on. Talk with them about how the pictures connect to the theme.

### Bible Lesson



#### Trail Log Entry

(Read from story page. Have the children lift the flaps.)

Dear Trail Log... Our names are Jimmy and Julie. We are hiking with Grandpa today. On the path we saw a squirrel gathering nuts. Grandpa told us that God made the squirrels. Does the Bible say what else God made?



#### Mighty Mouse

- Jimmy and Julie liked watching the squirrels. Our memory verse tells us about what God made. Our memory verse is from the Bible. Let's say it together. Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!*
- The Bible that tells about what God made in Genesis chapter 1. (Teacher reads the Bible story.)
- God created many wonderful things for us to enjoy.
- Let's say the memory verse again. Genesis 1:1 *God created the heavens and the earth!*
- Great job, kids! That will really help Jimmy and Julie. The Bible tells us that God made everything.