



Supplies:

- LifeWay's *Best of Worship Kidstyle Vol. 1* CD
- Disney's *The Princess Diaries* DVD
- 1 ball of modeling clay per child

Bible Truth & Memory Verse:

Level of Biblical Learning (Creation): God created people in His own image.

God created me perfectly.

"I will praise You because I have been remarkably and wonderfully made. Your works are wonderful, and I know this very well." **Psalm 139:14**

Movie Connection: (10 min.)

Say, "We are going to watch a scene from the movie *The Princess Diaries*. Mia Thermopolis has recently learned that she is the princess of another country. She is trying to figure out what she should do in her life."

Play scene 15 ("Identity Revealed") at 47:10. **Stop** the movie at 53:32.

Why did Mia's friend Lily think Mia should not be a princess?

How did this make Mia feel?

Say, "During the movie, Mia's driver Jo says 'No one can quit being who they really are.' It's true. God created each of us perfectly and He knows what's best for us."

Bible Connection: (15 min.)

Open your Bible to Psalm 139 as you tell the story. **Read** the following aloud.

David was king of Israel. David loved God very much, but even David sinned. David knew that he did things that God did not like. However, David repented of his sins. That means that David told God he was sorry for the things he did that God did not like. David tried to change and not do those things again.

David also knew that God had made him. And King David knew that God doesn't make mistakes. God made King David, and God made you and me just exactly the way God wanted us to be.

When David was alive, he wrote many of the chapters of Psalms. Psalms are kind of like songs or prayers that David and some other people wrote to God. Listen to what David wrote in Psalm 139.

David wrote that he knew God had created him. David praised God for making him just the way God wanted him to be. David said God saw him and thought about him even before David was born! David also knew that God had created him for a purpose. That means that God made David to do something special for God.

When David was alive, he did many special things for God. David fought and killed Goliath, a giant man who wanted to kill all of God's people. David also collected lots of materials so Solomon, David's son, could build a temple or church to honor God.

God created each of us too! And God knows everything. And God made us just exactly the way He wanted us to be!

Discuss

What are some of the things David did when he was alive?

In Psalm 139, how does David say we are created?

When did God plan each of our lives?

How many days of our lives were planned by God? [all of them]

Say, "God loved David very much, and He also loves you and me very much too. God spent time creating each of us just exactly how He wanted us to be. In the movie, Mia Thermopois wasn't sure what she should do in life—be a princess or just a normal girl. We can be sure that God created each of us for a purpose and God did a great job!"

Hands On: (15 min.)

Give each child a ball of clay. **Guide** children to make themselves with the clay.

Say, “You created a picture of yourself with this PlayDoh. God created you, and He made you perfectly. God knows everything about you. He made you for a very important reason.”

Praise and Worship: (5 min.)

Play *Best of Worship Kidstyle Vol. 1* CD selection 10. **Guide** children to sing along.

Pray

Thank you, God, for creating me just exactly the way You wanted me to be. Amen.



Supplies:

- LifeWay's *Best of Worship Kidstyle Vol. 1* CD
- Disney-Pixar's *Toy Story* DVD
- 1 cookie per child plus decorating items such as icing, sprinkles, etc.

Bible Truth & Memory Verse:

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God created me perfectly.

"I will praise You because I have been remarkably and wonderfully made. Your works are wonderful, and I know this very well." **Psalm 139:14**

Movie Connection: (10 min.)

Say, "We are going to watch a scene from the movie *Toy Story*. Woody and the other toys were nervous about their owner, Andy, getting new toys at his birthday party. Let's see what happens."

Play scene 4 ("The Staff Meeting") at 5:56. **Stop** the movie at 8:45.

Why were the toys worried about Andy getting new toys?

Say, "Woody thought he and the other toys wouldn't be needed anymore. Sometimes we can feel that way too but God always wants us to know that we belong with Him. God created us perfectly, and He made us for a purpose. Let's learn another story about David."

Bible Connection: (15 min.)

Open your Bible to 1 Samuel 17 as you tell the story. **Read** the following aloud.

When David was a young boy, he took care of his father's sheep. He spent most of his days in the pasture making sure larger animals didn't kill the sheep and that no one else stole the sheep.

One day, David heard that Goliath, a giant Philistine man, wanted to fight the people of Israel, which was David's country. Goliath was very large and everyone in Israel was afraid of Goliath. Even the men in the army were afraid of Goliath!

David went to King Saul and told him he believed God could defeat Goliath. David said God wanted him to fight the giant. Saul did not believe David could defeat Goliath. King Saul said David was just a boy and that Goliath was much older and larger. David insisted that God would fight the battle for him and that God had prepared David for the battle.

David told King Saul that he had killed lions and bears with his hands while he was protecting the sheep. David said, "The Lord who rescued me from the paw of the lion and the paw of the bear will rescue me from the hand of this Philistine."

Finally, Saul allowed David to fight Goliath.

David went to fight the giant with only a slingshot and 5 small stones. Goliath laughed when he saw such a small boy want to fight him. David put one small rock in his slingshot and threw it at Goliath. David killed the giant! King Saul and the other Israelites were glad God had saved them from Goliath.

Discuss

What did David do for his father?

Why did he have to watch the sheep?

How did David kill Goliath?

Say, "God loved David very much, and He also loves you and me very much too. God spent time creating each of us just exactly how He wanted us to be. In the movie, Woody and the other toys thought they no longer had a reason to be Andy's toys, but Andy would always love his toys. Sometimes we can be afraid that God didn't make us for any reason, but that's not true. God created each of us for His perfect purpose."

Hands On: (10 min.)

Give each child a cookie and supply decorating items such as icing, sprinkles, edible glitter and more. **Encourage** each child to decorate a cookie. If possible, use gingerbread boys and girls.

Say, “You have created a beautiful cookie tonight, and each of you did a great job! God created each of us too. Just like you are proud of the cookie you decorated tonight, God is proud of you too.”

Praise and Worship: (5 min.)

Play *Best of Worship Kidstyle Vol. 1* CD selection 16. **Guide** children to sing along.

Pray

God, Your creations are perfect. Thank you for creating me. Amen.