

**The following should be done
DAILY:**

1. Sing 2 songs from Conscious Discipline
2. Do breathing exercises
3. Review the classroom rules
4. Utilize the Feelings chart to identify big feelings with students
5. Identify those who are absent
6. Pray for those who are absent and for your classroom that day.
7. Pray individually with each student as they come in
8. Talk about the Bible story while changing diapers and or potty training.
9. Read at least 2 books to the class - Great times to do that are while the lunch is being put out, nap time is starting, or at the end of the day.
10. Incorporate God into all aspects of the curriculum throughout the day!

Curriculum Activity #1:



Items you will need –

- "Polar bear stuffed animal
- "Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You See?" by Eric Carle

Ahead of time, hide the polar bear somewhere in the room.

Bring all the children who would like to participate to the large group area of the room. Read "Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You See?" After reading, play polar bear hide and seek. Play the game the same as normal hide and seek, except hide the polar bear. Then tell the children individually whether they are "hot" or "cold" to the relation of the polar bear. Allow the other children to have a chance to hide the polar bear, and tell children whether they are "hot or cold". God made the polar bears white so they could hide from predators in the snow.

Curriculum Activity #2:

Items you will need –

- "The Very Quiet Cricket" by Eric Carle
- Container of crickets

Bring the children who would like to participate to the large group area of the room. Read "The Very Quiet Cricket" by Eric Carle. After reading, pull out a container of crickets. Let the children look at the crickets and discuss how the cricket makes sound by rubbing his legs together. Talk about how God made crickets.

Art Activity #1:

Items you will need –

- Blue construction paper
- White paint
- Toothbrush
- Cotton balls
- Glue



Ahead of time, copy an outline of a polar bear – one per child.

Work with children 2 at a time at the table. Make a polar bear in a snowstorm by splattering white paint on a blue piece of paper with a toothbrush. Glue a cotton ball on it as the polar bear. Ask the children, "Do you think God made polar bears soft or rough?"

Art Activity #2:

Items you will need –

- Black construction paper
- Yellow and white crayon
- Colorful band-aids
- Plain band-aids
- Glue
- Wiggly eyes
- Yellow puffy paint



Work with children 1 at a time at the table. Give the child a sheet of construction paper. Show them how to draw stars all over the paper (just use dots all over the paper - help if needed). Have the child place 3 plain band-aids on the paper to make the Firefly bodies. Take the colored band-aids and have them place them over the band-aids making an X to form the Firefly wings. Help them dab some glue on the top of the plain band-aid and put the wiggly eyes on. Using the yellow crayon, add antennas on the fireflies and using puffy paint add the glowing part on the bottom of the firefly. Add details with a fine-tip permanent marker. Tell the children that God made bugs to light up! Ask them, "Do you let your light shine for Jesus?"

Bible Activity #1:

Bible Story: "Elijah prayed to God" - 1 Kings 17:1; 18:1-2, 41-46; James 5:17-18
Verse: Psalm 86:6

Items you will need –

- Bible story picture with story and song printed on the back of it
- Play dough
 - ❖ Work with children three at a time at the table.
 - ❖ Offer a hand size amount of play dough to each child
 - ❖ As they pound, roll, twist, and tear the dough, show them the picture of Elijah and tell the Bible story.
 - ❖ Sing the Bible song.
 - ❖ Go over the Bible verse

Bible Activity #2:

Bible Story: "Elijah prayed to God" - 1 Kings 17:1; 18:1-2, 41-46; James 5:17-18
Verse: Psalm 86:6

Items you will need –

- Bible story picture with story and song printed on the back of it
- Plastic dishpan
- Plastic table cloth
- Plastic scoops and cups
 - ❖ Pour about 2 inches of water in a plastic dishpan and set it on a plastic cloth. Put plastic scoops and cups beside the pan.
 - ❖ Help a child put on a plastic smock before they begin to water play.
 - ❖ Remark that God heard Elijah ask Him to send rain, and God hears us ask Him for help.
 - ❖ Sing the Bible song.
 - ❖ Go over the Bible verse

Colors/Shapes:

Items you will need:

- White paint
- Animal shaped cookie cutters
- Dark blue construction paper



Work with children 2 at a time at the table. Show the children the book “Little Cloud”. Talk about the shapes in the clouds on each page. Give each child a piece of construction paper and white paint as well as shape cookie cutters. Let the children make clouds in the sky using the cutters. Talk about the color of clouds and remind them that God made the clouds!

Numbers/Letters:

Items you will need:

- Play dough
- Printable Alphabet Mats
- Rolling pin
- Plastic knife.

Ahead of time print and laminate number mats. Allow 3 children to work at the table at a time. Show the children how to roll the play dough between their palms of their hands to create a ‘sausage like’ shape and then create the shape of the letter using the Alphabet Mats as a guide.

Books:

Read the following stories multiple times this week:

- "Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?" by Eric Carle
- "The Very Lonely Firefly" by Eric Carle
- "Baby Bear, Baby Bear, What Do You See?" by Eric Carle
- "Little Cloud" by Eric Carle
- "Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You See?" by Eric Carle
- "Rooster's Off to See the World" by Eric Carle

Song:

Sing this song several times throughout the week:

"You Are My Snowman"

"Polar Bear"



Bible Story:

“Elijah Asked God to Help”

1 Kings 18:1-2, 41-46; James 5:17-18

Elijah loved God. He talked to God and asked Him to help him.

One day Elijah asked God to stop the rain, and God did.

After a long time, Elijah talked to God again. He asked God to send rain so the crops would grow.

God heard Elijah ask Him to help.

Bible Song:

Sung to “Jesus Loves Me”

Yes, God will help us,

Yes, God will help us,

Yes, God will help us,

He Hears us ask for help.

Psalm 86:6



Hear

(Cup ear with hand.)



my prayer,

(Fold hands in prayer.)



O LORD.

(Bow head over hands.)

You are my Snowman

(Tune: You are my Sunshine)

You are my snowman,
My only snowman.

You make me happy,
On days of gray.

And when the sun's out,
You'll hear us all shout.

Please don't take our
snowman away!



Polar Bear

Polar Bear, Polar Bear,
Turn around.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear,
Touch the ground.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear,
Shine your shoes.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear,
Skidoo.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear,
Go upstairs.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear,
Say your prayers.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear,
Turn out the light.

Polar Bear, Polar Bear,
Say good night.



