



DEEPER BIBLE My Masterpiece

[15 min]

Supplies

- Bible
- modeling dough (1 handful per child)
- paper plates (1 per child)
- heart stickers (1 per child)

Talk About Creations

Say: **Today we heard about wonderful things God made from nothing. He made trees and oceans and animals. Then God reached down and carefully used his hands to shape his most amazing creation—his masterpiece, people!**

Give each child a handful of modeling dough on a paper plate.

Say: **We can use our hands to shape this dough into all kinds of fun things.**

Share about something *you've* made with modeling dough or any other sculpting supply.

Ask: • **Tell about something *you* like to make with dough like this.**

Kids may say they like to make a face, a shape with cookie cutters, or a snake.

Make a Masterpiece

Say: **Let's use this dough to make little people. First, we'll make a head.** Show kids how to take a small piece of dough and roll it into a ball.

Say: **God made your head. He gave you a face with eyes and a nose. God made your face special. No one else's face is just the same. You are God's masterpiece!**

Have kids take another small piece of dough and set it aside. Lead them to roll the remaining dough into another ball and then flatten it a bit on the plate to make a body. Encourage kids to put the dough head on the top of the body.

Say: **We made a body for our little person. God made our bodies. He made them just the way he wanted them to be. We are God's masterpiece.**

Show kids how to divide the remaining piece of dough into four smaller pieces. Then lead kids to roll each piece on a hard surface to make long, skinny pieces for arms and legs. Help kids attach the arms and legs to their people on the plates.

Say: **God gave us arms and legs, just like we gave our little people arms and legs. God carefully put each part of your body together in an amazing way. Listen to what the Bible says.** Read aloud Psalm 139:13-14.

Be a Masterpiece

Say: **But God didn't just make the parts we see on the outside. God made all the parts of who you are—the way you look on the outside and how you think and feel on the inside. And God loves the way he made you. You are his masterpiece!** Form leader-led groups, and give leaders a heart sticker for each child. Encourage leaders to place a sticker on each child while saying, "[Name of child], you are God's masterpiece!"

After every child has a sticker, say: **God made each one of you special, and he loves every part of you. Let's thank God that he made us and loves us so much.** Lead kids to pray.

Let kids take their masterpieces home.



LOW-ENERGY GAME

Funny Friend

[10 min]

Supplies

- general craft supplies such as paper plates, crepe paper streamers, chenille wires, and trash bags
- classroom objects such as pillows, blocks, and blankets
- upbeat music (optional)
- music player (optional)

Easy Prep

- Place supplies in a central area. Spread things out a bit so kids can find specific supplies.

Tip

- You can purchase downloadable music and other items to enhance your DIG IN program [here](#).

Talk About Creations

Say: **Today we heard that God made people and everything else we see from nothing. God just spoke and things appeared! Wow! We can't make something from nothing. But today we have lots of different things we can use to make something fun.** Show kids the collection of supplies.

Ask: • **What do you think we can make from the things we have in our classroom today?** Give kids a few suggestions to get them started, such as a person, a house, or an animal. Encourage kids to be creative.

Make Funny Friends

Say: **God's most special creation—his masterpiece—is people. Let's use our supplies to make some funny friends. You'll have only five minutes to make your funny friends, so work together with your group!**

- Form leader-led groups. Give groups a minute to talk about what supplies they might choose to build their funny friends.
- On your cue, encourage leaders to send kids to the supplies one at a time. Each child can get one supply and bring it back to the group.
- Direct leaders to help kids assemble their supplies on the floor to create a person. Help kids make their funny friends as detailed and unique as time allows.
- If you'd like, play upbeat music while kids build.

After five minutes, have groups return any unused building supplies. Give groups a couple of minutes to walk around and admire other groups' masterpieces.

Say: **You made some really fun friends today. They're your masterpiece! And you are God's masterpiece. You're the very best thing he made!**