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Family Bible Time Week 6

Topic: Creation Day 6

Theme: On day six of creation, God created all the animals. Then He made His absolute favorite creation and created people. People are much more special than anything else He created, and later, God would send Jesus to redeem His people so that they could live with Him in heaven forever.

Begin by singing "Who is the King of the Universe" together. Jesus is in charge of everything . . . but He loved us so much that He died for us! Let's read about it now!

Serve animal crackers as you are reading today's Scripture!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DJwUvjVq9k4

Scriptures:

Genesis 1:24-31 John 3:16-17

Discussion Questions:

- ◆ What did God create on the sixth day of creation?
- ◆ What are some of the animals that you can name?
- ◆ What are your favorite animals?
- ◆ What did God say when He created people? How is this different from what He said every other time?
- ◆ What did God tell the man to do?
- What are some ways that God showed (and shows) that man is more important than the animals (or anything else created)?

Activities: (choose from this list, or come up with one of your own. Do as few or as many as you want.)

- Play animal charades. Act out an animal and see if the rest of the family can guess what animal it is. Then discuss the wide variety of animals that we have in the world. God is SUPER Creative!! Yet, people are even more important and special than animals. List off all the things that people can do that animals cannot.
- Get some animal shaped cookie cutters and have some fun with playdough or make animal sugar cookies. You can also make your own homemade playdough.

http://www.momswhothink.com/preschool/playdough-recipe.html

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■ Sing "The Butterfly Song". Act out all the different animals while you sing, and then discuss how we are special. Spend some time thanking God for making you you!

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=imO2NiKo AQ

- Visit a zoo. Notice the wide variety of animals, but be sure to realize that people are more special than animals. Jesus died for PEOPLE, not animals!
- Make a cross craft to remind you that Jesus died on the cross for your sins. Draw the outline of a large cross on a piece of hard paper. Then have everyone in your family paint their hands and put their painted handprint in the cross outline (make sure everyone uses different colors). Fill in the whole cross with handprints from your family. When it dries, you may wish to frame this and hang it somewhere in your house to remind you that Jesus died on the cross for you.

Prayer Time:

Spend time today thanking God for creating YOU. Have each family member tell what he likes about each person in the family until everyone in the family has had a chance to feel special. Then spend time praying for one another and thanking God for one another.

Outreach Ideas:

Serving as a family can be a powerful experience. Choose an activity to serve together this week as a practical way to live out your faith. Examples include the following:

- **x** Volunteer at a local Habitat for Humanity or other animal rescue organization.
- **x** Volunteer to walk your neighbor's dogs or dog sit for a friend.
- **X** Take a special treat to the zookeepers at a local zoo.
- **x** Clean up a local park to make it safer for both animals and humans.
- **x** Take a walk around your neighborhood, praying for all the people who live in the houses that you pass.