

God Made the World (Age 4)

Unit	Chapter	Theme	Scripture	
1 God Made People The children will realize that they are unique and loved. They will come to know God's love as they experience the love of family and friends.	1. God Made Me	Being a child of God. Our specialness. Praising God.	Genesis 1:26–31; Psalm 8; Psalm 139:13–14; Isaiah 43:1,4; Baruch 3:35	
	2. God Made My Family	The love of family members.	Genesis 1:27–28; Ephesians 6:1–3; Luke 2:51–52	
	3. God Made My Friends	The gift of friends. Jesus as friend.	John 11:1–5; John 15:10–16; 1 Corinthians 13:1–7	
	4. God Made My Helpers	Who helpers are. Listening to helpers.	Matthew 17:24–27; 1 Corinthians 12:4–7,27–30	
	5. God Made My Church Family	God's family, the Church. Loving like Jesus. Special members. The importance of each member of the Church family.	John 13:35; John 15:1–5; John 19:25–27; Ephesians 3:14–21	
2 God Made Holy Things The children will become familiar with the parish church and the Bible. They will have an increased understanding of music, water, and food, which are the foundations for participation in the liturgy.	6. God Made Churches	God's house for God's family. Objects in the church. Being quiet and praying.	Exodus 3:4–5; Psalm 122:1; Matthew 21:12–13 ; John 2:13–17	
	7. God Made the Bible	God's Word to us. Stories in the Bible. Honoring the Bible.	Psalm 119:105; Isaiah 54:10; Matthew 18:2–3; 2 Timothy 3:16–17; 2 Peter 1:19–21	
	8. God Made Music	Song as prayer. David's psalms.	1 Samuel 16:14–23; 2 Samuel 6:14–15; Psalm 98:1,4; Psalm 150	
	9. God Made Water	The usefulness of water. Holy water. Baptism.	Exodus 17:1–6; Luke 5:4–6; John 4:4–14; John 7:37–39	
	10. God Made Food	God's necessary gift. How bread is made. Special meals. Holy Communion.	Psalm 33:5; John 6:32–40; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26	
3 God Made the Earth The children will have a heightened awareness of some essential elements of the earth. They will respond with awe to God the Father's creations.	11. God Made Land	Land features. Caring for the earth.	Psalm 95:1–5; Job 38:4–7	
	12. God Made Air	Likening God to air. Air and life.	Genesis 2:7; John 20:19–23	
	13. God Made Light	Light and sight. Jesus, the Light of the World.	Genesis 1:3–5; John 9:1–7	
	14. God Made Color	Feelings evoked by color. Meanings given to colors. Colors in church.	Psalm 104:24; Sirach 43:11; Ezekiel 1:26–28	
	15. God Made Weather	Kinds of weather. Praising God for weather.	Sirach 43:1–2, 11–12, 21–22; Daniel 3:62,64–65,67–70,73	
4 God Made Living Things The children will marvel at the abundance and variety of living things. They will respond with gratitude and love to our wise and loving God. They will feel secure in the knowledge that God loves and cares for them.	16. God Made Flowers	The variety and beauty of flowers. Flowers as gifts.	Song of Songs 2:11–13; Luke 12:27–28	
	17. God Made Trees	The uses of trees. Jesus and wood.	Genesis 2:9; Luke 6:43–45	
	18. God Made Animals	How animals help us. Caring for animals.	Genesis 1:24–25; 2:18–20	
	19. God Made Birds	God's care for birds. God's care for us.	Genesis 1:20–22; Matthew 23:37; Luke 12:6–7,22–24	
	20. God Made Fish	The variety of sea creatures. Being caught by Jesus.	Genesis 1:20–22; Sirach 43:25–29; Luke 5:1–10	
5 God Made Surprises The children will experience the world as a surprising place of joy. They will be prepared to look forward to eternal life.	21. God Made Butterflies	The transformation of a caterpillar. Other surprises in the world.	John 10:10; Romans 6:4; 1 Corinthians 15:36–49; 2 Corinthians 5:1	
	22. God Made Big Things	God's power shown in large creations. Thanking God.	Job 40:15—41:26; Psalm 104:24–32; Sirach 43:28–31,35	
	23. God Made Little Things	The importance of little things. Appreciating and caring for little things.	Genesis 1:31; Luke 13:18–21	
	24. God Made Nations	People from other nations. Love for other people.	Galatians 3:26–29	
	25. God Made Laughter	God's desire for our happiness. Making others happy.	John 16:22; Philippians 4:4	

The **God Made The World (Age 4)** program helps four-year-olds learn that God made living things, including people, holy things, the earth, and other wonderful surprises. A unique aspect of God's creation is the main focus of each chapter.

	Big Book Cross-Curricular Focus	CCC References	Catholic Social Teaching Themes	Words Learned	Saints and Holy People*
	The letter Aa	355, 362	Life and Dignity	God, special, praise	Saint Irenaeus
	The letter Bb	360–361, 437	Family and Community	family, Holy Family	Mary and Joseph
	The letter Cc	396	Solidarity	friendship, disciples	Lazarus, Peter, James, John
	The letter Dd	2217	Rights and Responsibilities	helper, trophy	Simon, Joseph of Arimathea
	The letter Ee	781, 828, 963, 1563	Solidarity	church, priest, Communion of Saints	Mary
	The letter Ff	1180–1186, 2650	Family and Community	cross, altar	Moses
	The letter Gg	104	Rights and Responsibilities	Bible, God's holy Word	David
	The letter Hh	1156, 1162, 2579, 2585–2589	Life and Dignity	music, sing, praise, psalms	David
	The letter Ii	337, 694, 2415	God's Creation	water, clean, holy water, Baptism	Moses, Saint Francis
	The letter Jj	1333, 1392	Rights and Responsibilities	Holy Communion	
	The letter Kk	32, 290–294	God's Creation	earth, Lord	
	The letter Ll	41, 362, 691	God's Creation	air, God, breathe	Elijah, Saint Augustine
	The letter Mm	257, 298	The Poor and Vulnerable	light, Light of the World	Zechariah, Simeon
	The letter Nn	1146	God's Creation	rainbow	Ezekiel
	The letter Oo	344	God's Creation	season, weather	
	The letter Pp	270, 303–305	God's Creation	flowers	Mary, Solomon
	The letter Qq	339	God's Creation	trees, manger	Zacchaeus
	The letter Rr	340–343, 2415–2418	God's Creation	animals, creature	Saint Martin de Porres
	The letter Ss	303–305, 2415–2418	Rights and Responsibilities	fly, birds	Isaiah
	The letter Tt	293–294	Solidarity	fishing, fishermen, sea	Sirach
	The letter Uu	279–281	Life and Dignity	caterpillar, butterfly, heaven	Mary Magdalene
	The letter Vv	268, 278, 299	God's Creation		Saint Ignatius
	The letter Ww	2416	Life and Dignity		
	The letters Xx and Yy	1934–1938, 2304, 2319	Solidarity	country, nation, globe	
	The letter Zz	1718–1719	Family and Community	happiness, rejoice	Saint Augustine

*Information about and images of additional saints can be found on pages 54–56 of the *God Made the World* Big Book.