

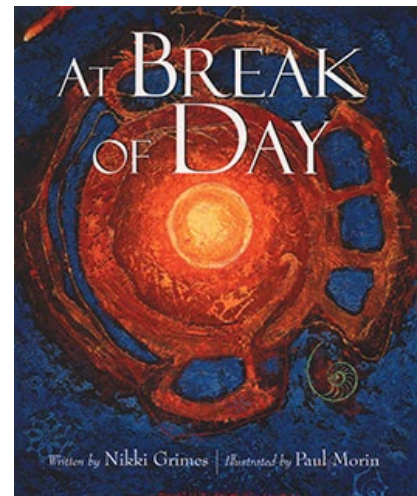
## **Parochial School Guide for**

*At Break of Day*

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Read *At Break of Day* to the children.

### **Discuss the following:**

1. What did God put people in charge of? How do we take care of them?
2. What is your favorite thing that was created for you? Have you thanked him?
3. What do you think is the most important thing that was created? Why?

### **Craft**

With enough plastic lids (ice cream lids work well) for each child, let kids make a collage of the world using tissue paper, fabrics, glitter, paint and whatever types of materials you have. Add a banner across the front that you print out that reads, "This is good." or other appropriate bible verse.

### **Other Activities:**

Have children draw pictures (or paint) their favorite creation that God made, then turn them into Thank You cards.

Have children (together with the teacher) write a Thank you prayer for all of creation.

Using old magazines (nature ones work best) have children create a collage of things that God made. Then, write the phrase: Big or Small, God created them all! along the bottom.

### **Snack**

Create a one of a kind Creation Snack. The week before, send home a note with children that you'll be making a special fruit creation. Have each child bring in one fruit and then cut them up and add together to create a salad that the creator would be proud of! (Add marshmallows and nuts if you prefer).

## Music

### "Creation Song"

(recite or sing to the tune of "I'm a Little Teapot")

God made day and God made night,  
He split the darkness from the light.  
God made you and God made me,  
And God made the animals A thru Z.

God made the seas and the dry land too,  
He made the flowers and the sky so blue.  
God made you and God made me,  
And God made the animals A thru Z.

God made the stars shining way up high,  
He made the birds and put them in the sky.  
God made you and God made me,  
And God made the animals A thru Z.

God made the sun and God made the moon,  
He made the ants and the silly baboon.  
God made you and God made me,  
And God made the animals A thru Z.

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