

God's World Adventure Camp



*Discovering God's
Fingerprints Everywhere*

God loves me; I will love God & others.

Kangaroos & Tie Dye Bandanas

1. Opening

We always open with prayer, and then introduce the topic of the night.

2. Craft

This craft is fairly involved and has many steps, so you need to start it early in the class period.

Materials Needed

- Aprons
- Kool Aid
- Vinegar
- Saucepan
- Cloth to be dyed (we used bandanas)
- Tin pans or bowls
- Rubber bands
- Squirt bottles (like water bottles or honey bottles)
- Iron

Fascinating Kangaroo Facts

- There are 45 species of kangaroos, varying in size from 12 inches to 6 feet tall
- They can travel up to 70mph
- They cannot move backwards
- They cannot move their hind legs independently (walking motion) except when swimming
- Some species live in trees
- Males are called bucks, females, does, and babies, joeys
- Kangaroos are herbivores
- Most are nocturnal
- Some species take up to 9 months to leave the mother's pouch

Recipe:

1/2 cup white vinegar

1/2 cup water

2 pkg unsweetened drink mix (Kool-Aid) - dark colors work best

Place ingredients in saucepan. Heat to boiling. Simmer for 20-30 minutes. Cool and place each color in a separate squirt bottle. (May be stored in refrigerator for several weeks.)

Process:

Part A. Wearing aprons, lightly mist bandanas (or t-shirts) till damp. Squeeze out extra water. Tightly tie rubberbands around scrunched-up/twisted bandanas. Hold over tin pan, and squirt color of your choice over the rubber banded area. Lay aside to "set" for about 10 minutes.



3. Bible Lesson

God loves us so much, that He sent His son to die for us. It is because of God's love that we have the ability to love others. Think of it as being so full, that you spill over to others.

If you have young children, a poem with actions works better than just reading verses in a dry manner.

Here are important Bible verses about God's Love:

- John 3:16 – God sent Jesus as a sign of His love
- 1 John 4:7-21 – God loves us and that helps us love others
- John 14:21 – We show that we love God by obedience
- Psalm 25:10 – All of God's ways are loving

4. Kangaroo Facts

Kangaroos are one of the many animals that takes care of their young. God created them in fascinating ways! Help the kids understand God's creation, by telling them and showing pictures of kangaroos. You'll need to do your research for this!

Some great resources:

- www.outback-australia-travel-secrets.com/kangaroo-facts.html
- www.greenlivingtips.com/blogs/144/Fascinating-kangaroo-facts.html
- **What on Earth is a Quokka?**
By Jenny E. Tesar

Activities

- **Make a large kangaroo cut-out, life size that the kids can measure up against**
- **Read picture book**
- **Demonstrate the kangaroo's ability to jump by having jumping contests of your own. Have two kids start at point A. Have one kid walk and one kid jump and see who arrives at point B first.**
- **Demonstrate the kangaroo's shyness by playing Red Light Green Light. (In order to get close to a kangaroo, you need to move very slowly, or when they aren't looking. Have one child be the Kangaroo, and the others will try to get close to him without getting caught. Kangaroo turns his back, the other kids can move. When Kangaroo turns around, the other kids must freeze.)**



God Loves Me, Just as I am!

As I kneel at the altar in prayer, God loves me.
 If I'm sitting in a jail cell, God loves me.
 As I'm caring for the sick, God loves me.
 If I'm out robbing and stealing, God loves me.
 When I'm happy, God loves me.
 When I'm sad, God loves me.
 When I'm angry and loud, God loves me.
 When I'm calm and serene, God loves me.
 When I'm abused, God loves me.
 As I'm abusive to others, God loves me.
 If I'm in bed with a disease, God loves me.
 When I'm healthy and fit, God loves me.
 If I'm poor, God loves me.
 If I'm out of work, God loves me.
 When I'm earning large sums of money, God loves me.
 When I'm winning in life, God loves me.
 When I think I'm losing, God loves me.
 When I'm frustrated and resentful, God loves me.
 As I remain in a state of prayer, God loves me.
 When I'm depressed and feeling low, God loves me.
 When I'm in a good mood, God loves me.
 No matter where I am -- or who I am -- or how I am -- or what I am --- God loves me with a love that is unmeasureable and unlimited.
I AM LOVED, JUST AS I AM!

by Annie Kirkwood

5. Finish Craft

Continue project from beginning of class.

Part B. After 10 minutes, remove the rubberbands. Let dry. If you need it to dry quicker, shake bandana out, hang in front of a fan or outside in the breeze. When the item is fully dry, set your iron on the hottest setting. Iron the item to permanently set the color.

6. Snack

You really can have the snack at whatever time works best for your class. Here are some snack ideas:

- Cheese cut in heart shapes on crackers**
- PB & J sandwiches cut in heart shapes**
- Heart shaped cookies**

Resources we Used:

- <http://www.epilogsys.com/ScoutingWeb/SubPages/KoolAid.htm>
- http://www.education.com/activity/article/Make_Kool-Aid_Tie_Dye/
- <http://www.outback-australia-travel-secrets.com/kangaroo-facts.html>
- <http://www.greenlivingtips.com/blogs/144/Fascinating-kangaroo-facts.html>
- <http://www.baproducts.com/godloves.htm>

