

You will need...

- A completely clear board
- A Tambourine
- 5 pieces of material to stick up: Black, white, light blue for sky, light blue for water and green/brown for land.

The story

Story	Actions
Today we're seeing the first thing that ever happened. In the beginning, there was nothing. There was no sky, no land, no people, no houses, no animals. NOTHING. Not a thing. Anywhere.	Shake a tambourine gently throughout this part (it will get the children's attention). Keep shaking... Point to the clear board to show - nothing
Can you close your eyes? Put your hand over your eyes. It is so dark. That's what nothing looks like.	
Open your eyes! But God was there. He has always been there, and he always will be	Keep shaking...
Then, on the first page of the Bible, we read that God <u>spoke</u> .	Bang the Tambourine.
And when God speaks, things always happen.	
Everything was very, very dark	Put up black piece next to the white piece.

God said "Let's have some light". And light appeared! Just because God said so. Amazing!	Put white piece onto board
God called the light "Day time" and he called the darkness "Night time". God was very pleased with what he had made.	Point to the light and dark sides, as you name them
God said "Let's sort out all this water" He gathered up some of the water, and used it to make the sky.	Put 'sky' at the top of the picture
The water that was left washed all around at the bottom	Put up sea onto the picture
Then God said "Let's have some dry ground." And dry ground appeared! Just because God said so. Amazing!	Put dry land onto the picture
God called the dry ground "land". Can you stand up and stamp your feet? That's the land God made! God called the water "sea". God was very pleased with what he had made.	Point to the land and the sea as you name them. Get kids stamping as you do.
That is how God made the world – the day and the night, the sky and the land and the sea. God made everything, just by speaking. Next week, we'll find out what God made next.	Point to light and dark sides, sky, land and sea, as you name them again.
	Sing – Who's the King of the Jungle? or My God is so Big!



Top Tips

- Craft idea: Stick round blue 'earth' onto page, then add cut-out shapes to be land
- Everything needs to be said with plenty of intonation, life, interest and volume to keep toddlers interested. It will sound odd!