



The Day of Rest

Genesis 2:1-3

Suggested setting: The God of Wonders puppet scripts adapt to any setting such as a garden, forest, farm, or stable. Once or twice a year, a set change or addition to the set is recommended for added interest. Decorate with colorful flowers, butterflies, birds, and ladybugs. Puppets can pop out from behind a window, hedge, tree hollow, stonewall, etc. For a simple, portable puppet stage, puppets can pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod, or from behind a card table turned on its side. Adjust setting and puppet names according to available puppeteers and resources.

Characters: Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb are good friends who are always excited to hear Bible stories about God. The Leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, forest ranger, etc.). The leader helps children focus on and leads group interaction with the puppets.

Leader (Stands at puppet window.)
It's time to call for Delbert and Lello.
Repeat after me, "Dehhhhhl-bert, Dehhhhhl-bert!" (Children repeat and Delbert the Donkey pops head out of a window.) **"Hellohhhhhhhhhh Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops out of a window.)

Delbert
Hee Haw! Let me hear your Hee Haw!

Leader and Children
Hee Haw! Hi, Delbert!

Lello
Yeah. (bleat) Hello every-bahhh-dy.

Delbert
It's been so exciting to learn about how God created the world.

Lello
Yeah, that means He made it! But what did God create on the seventh day?

Leader
On the seventh day, God rested from all the work He had done in creating the world. He blessed it as a special day.

Lello
Does God want us to take a day of rest, too?

Delbert
Haw! You mean we all have to take a nap?

Lello
But, I'm not sleepy!

Leader
A day of rest doesn't mean you have to sleep all day! It's a special day for us to think about God.

Lello

That sounds like a great day! On our day of rest, we don't have to worry or work—we just think about who God is and what He has done.

Delbert

Haw! That's great. On our day of rest, could we sing songs to God?

Leader

Yes!

Lello

Could we spend time praying?

Leader

Yes!

Delbert

Haw! Lello, I have an idea. Why don't we go on a hike and have a picnic?

Lello

Yeah, we can look for all the things God has made.

Delbert

I'm glad we have a special day to think about God.

Lello

Yeah ... and to thank Him for all He has done—for making the light, and the day and night...

Delbert

And the land and seas, and the plants and trees...

Lello

And the moon and the stars and the sun!

Leader

And don't forget the lambs and the donkeys and the people in the garden.

Delbert

Haw! On our hike, we can thank God for blessing our special day of rest! Let's go, Lello!

Lello

Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy.

Leader

Bye, Delbert. Bye, Lello. (exit)