

GOD CREATED EVERYTHING

Genesis 1

In the beginning, there was nothing but God—no sun, no dirt, no animals, and no people! God did something that no person could ever do. He made the world out of nothing.

First, God created the heavens and the earth. Water covered the earth, and it was dark. God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw that the light was good. God called the light "day," and He called the darkness "night." That was the first day.

On the second day, God made the sky. On the third day, He gathered the water on earth into oceans. Now there was dry land. God made all kinds of plants and trees, and He saw that it was all good. On the fourth day, God put the sun in the sky for daytime and the moon and stars for night. God looked at what He made, and God saw that it was good.

On the fifth day, God made animals that swim in the water. He made birds that fly in the sky. God saw that His creation was good. On the sixth day, God made animals that live on earth. He made wild animals and animals that crawl and animals that can help people. God saw that what He made was good. The last thing God created was the most special of all.

Finally, God made people. The people would take care of the earth God made. They would take care of the plants and animals. God took dust from the ground and made a man. He breathed into the man, and the man became alive. The man's name was Adam.

God made a garden and put the man there to work in the garden and take care of it. God grew trees for the man to have food. But God did not want Adam to be alone, so he caused Adam to fall asleep. God took a rib from Adam and made a woman to be his helper and wife. Her name was Eve. God loved Adam and Eve, and He took care of them. God saw all He had made, and it was very good. On the seventh day, God rested.





PRESCHOOL



WELCOME

Prepare tables with the opening activities. Greet kids by name as kids arrive. Be sure to welcome any new families.

TABLE #1 - Coloring sheet TABLE #2 - Kinetic sand, Sensory bottles Floor - blocks, animal figures



INTRODUCE THE BIBLE STORY

Simon Says - play Simon Says with preschoolers. Use age appropriate movements and sounds which incorporate the arms and legs, and facial expression. When you are ready to begin the story say: God created the world and He created people. We are created in the image of God and God loves everyone! We can move in different ways and make different sounds. God is very creative. Today we focus on what God did on the sixth day - God created Adam and Eve and placed them in a very special garden.



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Options: 1) Read the story from the Read and Share Bible story book, pages 2 -9; 2) Play the story video on the TV; 3) Read Aloud Bible Stories Volume 3.

WHY DID GOD CREATE THE WORLD? God created the world for His glory.



SONG

Lead preschoolers in singing one or more songs found in the January 2025 file.



PRACTICE THE KEY PASSAGE

Display the key passage poster. Read the words and help preshoolers memorize the words. Clap out a simple rhythm or pass a small object around the circle as each word is stated.

Psalm 104:24

How countless are Your works, Lord! In wisdom You have made them all; the earth is full of Your creatures.





- Allow interested preschoolers to play this game. Set the preprinted cards upside down on the table in a grid.
- Take turns turning over two cards if they match the player keeps the set. If they do not match, the cards are turned over and play continues to the left.
- Play as long as interest is held.
- God created the plants and trees. Many trees produce fruit we can eat. When God placed Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden, He had one rule about one tree: They were not to eat from the tree in the center of the garden. Do you sometimes find it easy to obey when your mom or dad asks you to not to do something?

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- Allow interested preschoolers to handle the prepared water bottles. This oil and water experiment in a bottle is used to demonstrate that light (oil) and darkness (colored water) do not mix. They are always separate. Shake it up and see what happens!
- And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw the light was good, and He separated the light from the darkness."



Match parent pick-up numbers, with child name tag numbers.

Build relationships with parents, encourage them to take a picture of the parent recap page to go over on the ride home.