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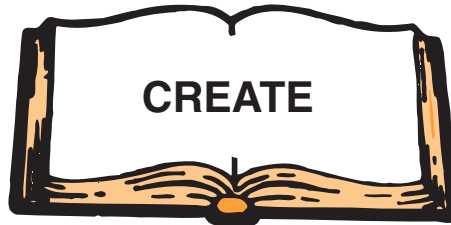
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# A BEAUTIFUL CREATION

*The Bible has a special story about how the world began. Everything God created was to bring glory to God. People are God's greatest creation and the gift of life His greatest gift.*

## KNOW THIS WORD



To bring into being,  
to make.

## CREATED FOR GOD

Genesis 1:1-31

God has always existed as an eternal being, so He had no creator. The first story in the Bible is about God making the earth and the things on it.

At first, the earth was dark. "Let there be light!" God said. Suddenly, there was light on that first day of creation.

On the second day, God made the sky with pure air that was right for the plants and animals He would make.

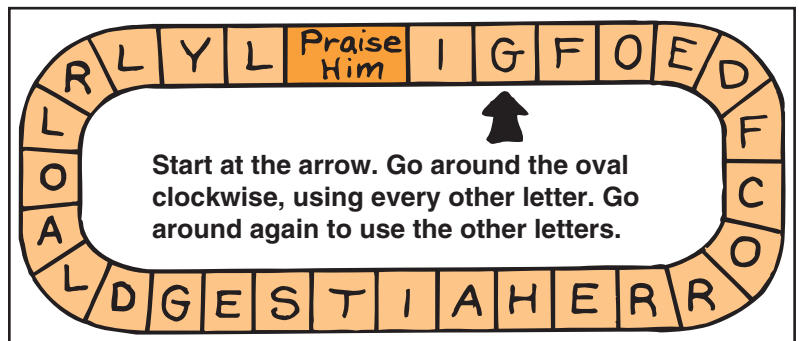
The earth looked beautiful after the third day of creation. God separated the water covering the earth to make dry land. Then He made plants and trees to grow on the dry land. He created them with seeds inside their fruit so there would be more plants and trees.

Then God made the sun, moon and stars. He designed the solar system and set it in motion. He fixed them so that we would have a dependable world of seasons, days and years. That was the fourth day.

Next, God created all kinds of sea animals. From tiny little guppies to giant whales, God made them all. He made birds to fly in the sky. The fifth day of God's creation ended.

On the sixth day, God made animals to live on the land. Every animal, big and small, was made by God.

Then God made His best creation—the first man and woman. He made them in His own image and likeness. Men and women would have a spirit nature that could communicate with God. That is why human life is so special.



## GOD'S CREATION AND YOU

Think of how each of God's creative works is good for you. On a piece of paper write a sentence telling why it is good.

daytime

nighttime

atmosphere (air we breathe and outer space)

water (springs, rivers, lakes, seas, oceans)

dry land (mountains, valleys, plains)

fruits and vegetables

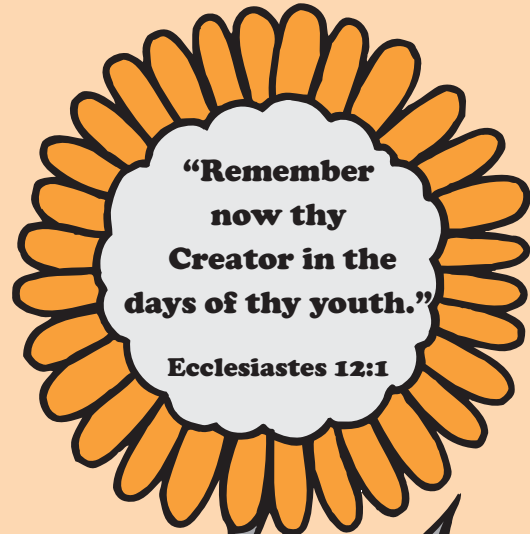
trees

solar system (sun, moon, stars)

fish and water creatures

birds

people



**GOD'S WORD IN MY HEART** "And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, *it was* very good."

Genesis 1:31

# TAKING CARE OF GOD'S WORLD

God made people to praise and honor Him. One way to do that is to care for His world.

Read the following situations. Decide whether or not each one describes a good way to care for God's world. If it does, color the circle green. If it does not describe a good way to care for God's world, make the circle red.

- 1. Kevin sees a cardinal. He tries to shoot it with his BB gun.
- 2. Jack's family likes to go camping. "I'll take our trash sack to the litter barrel," Jack says when Dad starts to pack up.
- 3. Beautiful snow covered the countryside where Alicia lived. She filled a feeder with bird seed and hung it on a tree limb.
- 4. Terry and Jeremy teased the dog next door to hear him bark and growl.
- 5. Jonathan forgot to feed and water his pet rabbits.
- 6. "I'm going to play with my kitty," says Anna. "I think she's lonely."
- 7. Kayla and Laura are riding their bikes on the sidewalk. Kayla was eating a banana. She threw the banana peel onto the sidewalk.
- 8. Jennifer found trash on the church grounds. She took it to the wastebasket.
- 9. Drew's Boy Scout troop planted shrubs around city hall.
- 10. "I'll water your flowers, Mother," Michael said.

Which of these Bible verses tell about God's creation?

Psalms 100:3

Isaiah 43:1, 7

Colossians 1:16

John 1:1-3

Psalms 33:6-9

Isaiah 45:12, 18

Genesis 5:1, 2

Jeremiah 10:12

Psalms 8