

BIBLE STORY

Creation
Genesis 1-2:3

MEMORY VERSE

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of praise. No one can
completely
understand how great
you are.
Psalm 145:3 (NIrV)

LIFE APP

Creativity

Imagining what you could do because you're made in God's image

KEY QUESTION

Where do you see God's creativity?

BASIC TRUTH

I can trust God no matter what.

ACTIVITY: DAYS OF CREATION

WHAT YOU NEED: no supplies needed

WHAT YOU DO:

Have everyone choose partners. Review the days of creation by naming things God made. A few suggestions are listed below and you can add others as needed.

Tell partners to work together to indicate the day on which it was created by using the fingers of one hand combined with the hand of their partner. (For example, one partner holds up two fingers and the other holds up three to indicate Day Five of creation.)

stars (Day Four)
people (Day Six)
fish (Day Five)
sea (Day Two)
light (Day One)
plants and seeds (Day Three)
birds (Day Five)
moon (Day Four)
trees (Day Three)
land animals (Day Six)
sky (Day Two)
land (Day Three)
sun (Day Four)
night and day (Day One)

WHAT YOU SAY:

When you think about the order in which God made things, what do you notice? Why do you think God created the world in the order He did? What does it mean to be created in God's image? What characteristics and qualities do we have that God also has? Why do you think God chose to create us in His image?

Encourage kids to share things they are thankful for in God's creation and what attribute or characteristic of God they see in it. (If needed, suggest some of the following qualities: loving, powerful, sense of humor, kind, creative, all-knowing, all-seeing, all-present, limitless)







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GOSPEL MOMENT

God created so many amazing things that we see and enjoy every day. But I'm MOST thankful for the very last thing He created—people! God created us in His image. And since He created us to be like Him, WE can be creative, too!

When God created the world, everything was perfect . . . but we know that life isn't perfect. Unfortunately, people mess up. It started with Adam and Eve when they disobeyed God . . . and it has continued all the way until now. Each of us has done wrong things. But there's GOOD news! God sent His Son, Jesus. Jesus died on the cross to pay the price for everything we've done wrong. So, if we believe then we know God will forgive us. We know we have the promise of eternal life with Him.

God is indescribable, but we can get to know Him because we can see what He has made. [Bottom Line] There's no limit to God's creativity.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is the most interesting thing you can think of in all of God's creation? (Use a mobile device to pull up a picture of a "Bird Poop Moth" by way of an example of an unusual creation. https://bit.ly/2RGxaGG)
- What questions do you have about the way the world began or how people were first created?
- Name some ways that all people are created in God's image.
- If we believe everyone is made in God's image, how should that impact the way we treat others?

<u>PRAYER</u>

Dear God, You are the greatest creator of all. You made everything we see around us and even the things we cannot see with our eyes. You deserve our best praise and we offer it to You now. Thank You for being a God of love, power, grace, and creativity. In Jesus' name, amen.



