

CREATION

Bible Text: Genesis 1–2

Lesson Focus: God has created us to reflect God’s image as we actively participate in creation today.

Big Question: What can I really do that makes a difference in caring for creation?

Key Words: CREATE/CREATION, CHAOS, ORDER, STEWARDSHIP

BIBLE CONNECTION

-] God created everything—including you!
-] There are two versions of the creation story: Genesis 1:1–2:4 and Genesis 2:4-25.
-] The first creation story tells us how God created everything and brought order to the chaos.
-] The second creation story tells us how God relates to people.
-] Both accounts of creation are religious, not scientific.
-] Humans have a special place in creation (Genesis 2:15).
-] Because God has made us special, we have some extra responsibilities.
-] We are made in God’s image (Genesis 1:27) and are called to reflect that image in our relationships with others and with creation.
-] We are called to be faithful to God and take care of all that God created (Genesis 1:28-30). We can demonstrate good stewardship of our resources.

CARTOON CONNECTION

-] What do “chocolate” and “candy” mean in reference to creation?
-] Why is this cartoon called the “first” plan for earth?
-] What happened to the first plan for the earth that changed it from the image of chocolate and candy?



STUDENT BOOK CONNECTION

Here We Stand Student Book page 75: Five Most Common Images for God in the Bible

-] Why can one God have so many different images and names?

Here We Stand Student Book page 56: The Top 10 Bible Miracles and What They Mean

-] Build a case for suggesting that the first miracle, creation, is the most important miracle. Do you think other miracles are more important?
-] Does God still use miracles today?

LIFE CONNECTION

Adopt a piece of God’s creation around your yard, neighborhood, or church. In the space you can pick up litter, plant and water grass or flower seeds, build a bench for a peaceful place to rest, plant shrubs or trees, or hang a bird feeder to give food to birds year round.

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HWS Bible Trivia

Circle the letter that best answers each question.

ON THIS DAY . . .

- God created light and darkness on this day.
 - 1st
 - 2nd
 - 3rd
 - 4th
- God created humans on this day.
 - 3rd
 - 4th
 - 5th
 - 6th
- God took a break on this day.
 - 2nd
 - 3rd
 - 5th
 - 7th
- Dry land, trees, and plants appeared on this day.
 - 1st
 - 2nd
 - 3rd
 - 5th

GENESIS 1 OR 2?

- Woman was made from man's rib in Genesis ____.
 - 1
 - 2
 - Both
 - Not in Genesis
- Light and darkness were created in Genesis ____.
 - 1
 - 2
 - Both
 - Not in Genesis
- The Garden of Eden is found in Genesis ____.
 - 1
 - 2
 - Both
 - Not in Genesis
- God gives the rivers a name in Genesis ____.
 - 1
 - 2
 - Both
 - Not in Genesis

CREATION THOUGHTS

- How many versions of the creation story exist in Genesis?
 - 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - 0
- What is the theme of the first creation story?
 - God dominates
 - God creates everything
 - Big Bang
 - God relates to people
- What is the theme of the second creation story?
 - God dominates
 - God creates everything
 - Big Bang
 - God relates to people
- The creation stories are religious, not _____.
 - scientific
 - fun
 - lawful
 - entertaining

GENESIS 1

- How did the earth begin?
 - As a formless void
 - As two stars colliding
 - With God and the angels making some blueprints
 - It never began—it just was.
- Which was not created on the 3rd day?
 - Dry land
 - Trees
 - Plants
 - Humans
- What was created on the 5th day?
 - Sea monsters
 - Fish
 - Birds
 - All of the above
 - None of the above
- What was created on the 7th day?
 - Animals
 - Humans
 - Sun and moon
 - Nothing

Answers: On this Day . . . 1. a 2. d 3. d 4. c Creation Thoughts 1. b 2. b 3. d 4. a Genesis 1 or 2? 1. b 2. a 3. b 4. b Genesis 1 1. a 2. d 3. d 4. d