

Lesson Introduction

Why did God create the world? God created the world as a place for people to live. He put everything on earth that people need for a good life. What are the things people need to live? All the things God created are things people need to live: light, water, air, ground, plants and animals

When God was done creating he looked at all that he had made and called it "very good." What do you think that means? God's creation worked in the way he wanted it to. Both people and animals had everything they needed to live life well. We are to thank and praise God for his "very good" creation.

Discussion Questions

Day 1: What was God's first act of creation? What did he separate light from? What did he call the darkness? Why is light good?

Day 2: What did God do on the second day of creation? Why did he do that? Why is water good? Why is dry ground good?

Day 3: What did God do on the third day of creation? What do plants need to live? Why are plants good?

Day 4: What did God do on the fourth day of creation? What does the sun do for the earth? What does the moon do in relation to the earth? Why is the sun good?

Day 5: What did God do on the fifth day of creation? Why is sea life good? Why are birds good?

Day 6: What did God do on the sixth day of creation? What did God tell man to do? What does that mean? What did God say about his creation? What does that mean? Why are people good?

Lesson Rhyme

G—G	Make sign of "G"
Good	Thumbs up sign
God designed	Lift arms up in air
all things to be	Point R index finger out & move in horizontal circle
G—G—Good	Same as above
God liked what	Thumbs up sign, shake head "yes"
he did see	Cup hands around eyes & look around



In the Beginning 19

Why is creation very good?



G—G—Good

God designed all things to be

G—G—Good

God liked what he did see

Day 1

His first act of creation,
 God said, "Let there be light."
And light was all around,
 shining very bright.
He separated light from dark
 and called the darkness night.
The first day came to pass
 because of God's creative might.

Draw a picture of day and night.

Day 6

On the sixth day God made animals
 to move along the ground.
Then in his image he made man
 and told him to abound.
When God looked at his creation,
 he called it very good.
Very good it is when it functions
 in the way God said it should.

Draw a picture of you and some animals.

Genesis 1:3-4: ³ And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴ God saw that the light was good, and he separated the light from the darkness.

Genesis 1:24, 26a: ²⁴ And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild animals, each according to its kind." And it was so. ²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness.

Day 5

On the fifth day God made living things
to fill the sea and air.

The birds he made with feathers
to fly without a care.

In the water can be found
creatures of the sea;

Each and every living thing
the way God made them be.

Draw a picture of birds and sea creatures.

Day 2

On the second day God separated
water from the sky.

He made a place for fish to swim
and where the birds could fly.

Next he gathered water
together in a space.

And when dry ground appeared
for living plants he had a place.

Draw a picture of the oceans and the sky.

Genesis 1: 20: ²⁰ And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the sky."

Genesis 1:7, 9: ⁷ So God made the expanse and separated the water under the expanse from the water above it. And it was so. ⁹ And God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered to one place, and let dry ground appear." And it was so.

Day 3

On the third day he created plants,
each growing from a seed.
With water, ground, air and light,
they have what they need.
He looked around at growing plants
and said that they were good,
Each producing their own kind
in the way he said they should

Draw a picture of some plants and trees.

Day 4

On the fourth day God put in the sky
the sun and every star,
Causing them to shine their light
on earth from quite afar.
The moon he made to circle earth,
the earth moves round the sun.
God knew and said that it was good,
when the day was done.

Draw a picture of the night sky.

Genesis 1:11: ¹¹ Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was so.

Genesis 1:14-15: ¹⁴ And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark seasons and days and years, ¹⁵ and let them be lights in the expanse of the sky to give light on the earth." And it was so.