

Child's Name: _____

Lesson Passage—Psalm 19:1-6

- ¹ *The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.*
- ² *Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they display knowledge.*
- ³ *There is no speech or language
where their voice is not heard.*
- ⁴ *Their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.*

In the heavens he has pitched a tent for the sun, ⁵ which is like a bridegroom coming forth from his pavilion, like a champion rejoicing to run his course. ⁶ It rises at one end of the heavens and makes its circuit to the other; nothing is hidden from its heat.

Through God's word we discover what is right and true.
Then we live it out in all we say and do.



LESSON 11



CREATION AND THE BEGINNING OF HUMAN HISTORY

THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

Why can all people know God through his creation?

MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 19:1-3

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Thinking It Through

Level 3—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of the child, or parent preference, the child may do the work in this journal independently or read with and dictate an answer to the parent. After reading the day’s rhyme and the Bible verse, the child should draw a picture that relates to that day’s reading and answer the question at the bottom of the page. Have the child answer questions about the day’s reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week’s big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory. Depending on the age and/or ability of the child, either the whole verse or the part of the verse between brackets on the cover can be memorized.
- **Concluding Lesson:** The parent should discuss with the child the **Thinking it Through** questions: What important truth did you learn this week? How can you apply that truth in your life? After discussing the questions the child should write down (or dictate to the parent) the answers and a prayer at the end of the booklet. The child can then complete the other activities.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day’s work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn’t always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

The important truth I learned this week is:

I can apply that truth by:

My prayer to God is:

Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: What makes the earth a planet? How many planets are there in our solar system?

Day 2: What do we have to use to learn about the planets? Why? What is the relationship between the planets and the sun? What keeps the planets orbiting around the sun?

Day 3: Why is earth the only planet where there is life? Why can't people live on other planets?

Day 4: Why does the earth stay at the right temperature for there to be life?

Day 5: What shows that God loves the earth? What shows that God loves people?

Day 6: How has God shown his love to all people? Who is Jesus? What does it mean that God is the one and only? What does it mean that God is the beginning and the end?

Concluding Lesson

Review: What makes the earth a planet? What is the relationship between the planets and the sun? What keeps the planets orbiting around the sun? Why is earth the only planet where there is life? What shows that God loves the earth? What shows that God loves men?

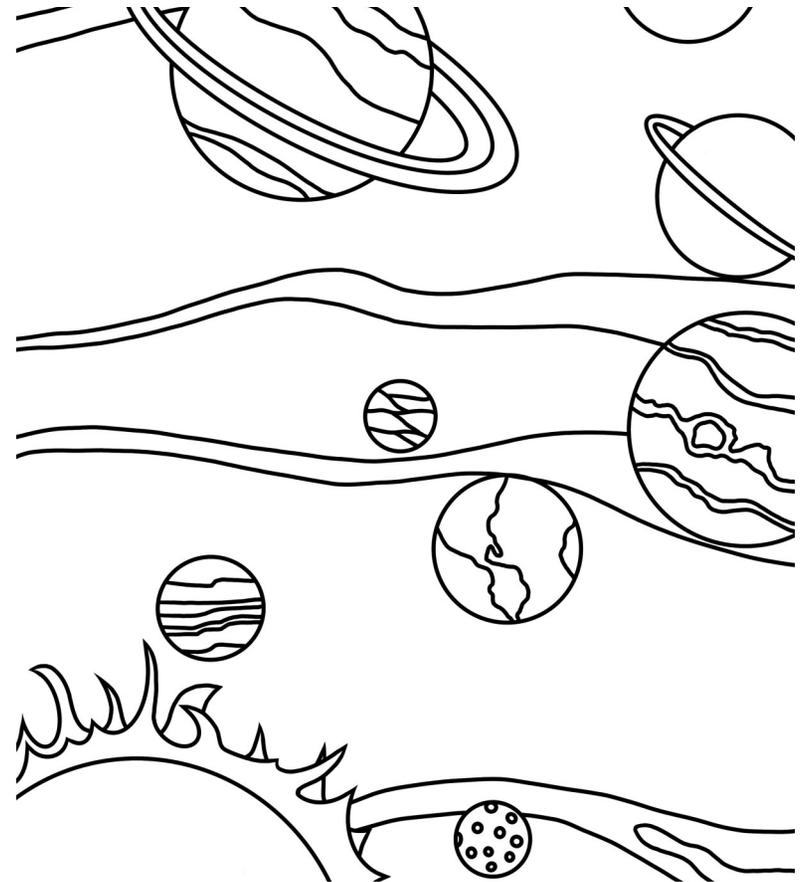
Prayer: Thank God for how much he loves you and all the people on earth. Thank him for making earth a perfect place for life and for sending his Son to earth to show us his great love and to save us from our sin.

Application: Find a place that has a telescope that you can use to look at the planets and stars or visit an observatory.

Thinking It Through: Have the child write or dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson, how he/she can apply that truth, and a prayer to God.

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Why can all people know God through his creation?



The heavens declare the glory of
God to everyone one earth.

Day 1 Draw a picture of the planets orbiting the sun.

Earth is called a planet.
It orbits round the sun.
But there are other planets.
Earth's not the only one.
Some planets are quite big,
others rather small.
In our solar system,
there are eight in all.

What does the verse mean?

Psalm 148:4-6: ⁴ Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies. ⁵ Let them praise the name of the LORD, for he commanded and they were created. ⁶ He set them in place for ever and ever; he gave a decree that will never pass away.

Day 6 Draw a picture of Jesus in the manger.

To show the love God has for us,
he sent his Son to earth.
The God of all the universe
as a baby given birth.
God is the one and only,
the beginning and the end.
Isn't it amazing that God
wants to be our friend?

What does the verse mean?

Psalm 8:3-4: ³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?

Day 5

Draw a picture of people on the earth.

God loves the earth and made it
as a place for us to dwell.
And everything God does,
he does it very well.
He is the Lord Almighty;
he put earth in a perfect place,
He created every planet
and every star in space.

What does the verse mean?

Psalm 113:4-6: ⁴ The LORD is exalted over all the nations, his glory above the heavens. ⁵ Who is like the LORD our God, the One who sits enthroned on high, ⁶ who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth?

Day 2

Draw a picture of a telescope.

You have to use a telescope
to see where planets are.
And do not get confused
as a planet's not a star.
Planets orbit round the sun;
the sun holds them in place.
The force of gravity attracts
so they don't spin off in space.

What does the verse mean?

Job 38:4-7: ⁴ "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? Tell me, if you understand. ⁵ Who marked off its dimensions? Surely you know! Who stretched a measuring line across it? ⁶ On what were its footings set, or who laid its cornerstone—⁷ while the morning stars sang together and all the angels shouted for joy?"

Day 3

Draw a picture of living things on earth.

Earth is the only planet
where living things are found.
As it's the only planet
with water, air and ground.
It's surrounded by an atmosphere
with the oxygen we need.
On any other planet
there is nothing men can breathe.

What does the verse mean?

Job 38:33: ³³ Do you know the laws of the heavens? Can you set up God's dominion over the earth?

Day 4

Draw a picture of the sun and the earth.

Other planets get too cold;
some get way too hot.
But God placed planet earth
in just the perfect spot.
It's not too close to the sun,
nor is it far away.
So at the temperature life needs
earth does always stay.

What does the verse mean?

Psalms 19:5-6

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