

GOD IS MY CREATOR

STORY: CREATION

BIG TRUTH: GOD IS MY CREATOR

Isaiah 46:8-13, 14:24-27; Psalm 33:10-11; Proverbs 16:9, 19:21, 21:1, 21:30; Daniel 4:34-37; Ephesians 1:11-14

BIBLE VERSE: GENESIS 1:27

"So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them."

BIG IDEAS

- God made Adam and Eve.
- God made me.
- God made man and woman in His image.
- God made us with purpose.

BIBLE STORY: GENESIS 1:26-28; 2:15

God is the good Creator. He spoke everything into existence. Not only is He the creator of the heavens and the earth, but He is the creator of man and woman. He created Adam and Eve with His own hands and He breathed life into them. God created every person and gives mankind a purpose. He created man and gave him dominion over the living creatures on the earth.

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God created everything. Everything we see, hear, feel, taste, and that exists was created by Him. Not only did He create everything, but He created everything perfectly, including humanity. He created mankind in His very image and likeness to reflect His worth. All of creation was made just like He wanted and designed it to be. To His delight, God looked at everything He made and declared that it was good. All creation exists for God, is good, and was created to bring Him glory.

BIG AIMS



Every child should know that:

- Life comes from God



Every child should:

- Find joy in the life that God has given them



Every child should feel:

- Responsible to use the life that God has given them for His glory



Every child should want:

- To submit their lives to God's plans

FAMILY DEVOTION: EVERYTHING FROM NOTHING

When the world began, God needed nothing to create it. His Word is powerful. All things obey His Word. When He spoke, things began to exist; life began to form and has continued forming under His command. Man must use materials to create. God needs nothing.

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BIBLE VERSE: GENESIS 1:27

“So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”

God created man in His likeness.

- Adam was created to reflect God.
- Eve was created to reflect God.
- All people are created in God's image or in His likeness.
- We are created to reflect who God is to the world.
- God's creation of man was to show the world His own glory.
- We are not God, but we are a reflection of Him.
- There are certain attributes and traits that we share with God, though we do not have them perfectly like He does.

God created man as male and female.

- God did not create one gender.
- God created male and female and both reflect God to the world.
- God uniquely and distinctly created a man and a woman.
- God's creation of Adam and Eve reflects His creation of gender.
- God showed His creativity and power when He created two genders.
- He was purposeful in creating two genders. Having male and female is part of God's sovereign design and purpose.

God created man and woman with a purpose.

- God's creation of man and woman is not without a purpose.
- When God created Adam and Eve, He created them as male and female to completely reflect His image to the world.
- God's purpose for both man and woman is to glorify Him.
- Each individual man and woman has a unique purpose that glorifies God.
- God is a knowable and personal God. He created each person to know Him individually and to fulfill His purpose for their lives.

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The Creation of Adam and Eve

Opening Illustration:

Before class create a BINGO game using the different days of creation. Make enough copies of the game to give every child. Play a game of Creation Bingo. Once you finish, lead the children in a discussion about how God created everything, even us.

- God is the great Creator.
- He's not only the Creator of the heavens and earth, but He's the Creator of every person.
- He created each one of you with a purpose.

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GOD IS MY CREATOR**BIG IDEA: GOD MADE ADAM AND EVE.**

What does it mean to create, or make something? (It means to form something or build something that didn't exist before.)

Who made Adam and Eve? (God made Adam and Eve. They didn't exist before God made them)

God created male and female.¹

- God's creation of Adam and Eve was perfect.
- He chose, in His wisdom, to create a man and a woman.
- God created mankind and made them male and female as part of His perfect plan.
- God did not make people without a gender or create them to change gender.
- God created male and female because it is His plan for there to be males and females. Each gender is a reflection of Him.
- God's creation of Adam and Eve was the beginning of all of mankind.
- God's creation of Adam and Eve was very good. It was perfect.



Read Genesis 1:27 and Mark 10:6 with the children. Talk with them about how from the very beginning God made people to be male and female. Remind them that having two genders is God's design and His plan. It's the way in which He created people.

When God created Adam and Eve, they were a family.

- Adam and Eve were the first family.
- All people come from Adam and Eve.
- They were the first people created.
- God's creation of Adam and Eve gave birth to the rest of mankind.
- All people originate, or come from, Adam and Eve.
- It was God's plan to create male and female to create a family.

Who created Adam and Eve? (God created Adam and Eve.)

What does it mean that Adam and Eve were created male and female? (It means that both male and female reflect God's image to the world. Both male and female are important.)

1. Genesis 1:27: God made man and woman male and female. When He created mankind, He gave them gender. Gender is important to God's design for mankind.

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Who is the Creator of every person? (God is the Creator of every person. Even though people are born from their parents, they are created by God.)

All life comes from God.

- God is the Creator of all things and all things come from Him.
- God created the first man and woman.
- All other life is from God because all things are from God.
- He is the beginning of all things.
- We are made by God because all life begins with Him.
- Even though we are born from our mothers, we are given life by God.
- God fashions us in our mother's womb and allows us to have life outside of her womb.
- God is the great Creator.



Allow each child to look at his or her reflection in a mirror. Ask them to describe what they see in the mirror. Lead them in a discussion about how each of them is different, yet each is created by God. God is the Creator of every person. He forms us in our mother's womb.

We are created by God.

- No person is an accident or mistake.
- God is the creator of all people. He designs and gives life to all people.
- He determines who has life and who doesn't.
- When God made Adam and Eve, He used His hands; He was closely involved in the creation of them.
- God knows every part of us before we're even born because He forms us.²
- God gives us life in our mother's womb. He is our Creator.

From whom does all life come? (All life comes from God.)

When does God form us? (He forms us in our mother's womb. He knows us before we're even born.)

2. Psalm 139:13: God knows every part of us before we're even born. He created us and formed us before we were even on this earth.

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BIG IDEA: GOD MADE MAN AND WOMAN IN HIS IMAGE.

What is an image? (It is a picture or reflection of something.)

God's glory is shown to the world through man and woman.

- God reveals Himself to the world through His creation of mankind.
- Men and women are so uniquely and incredibly made, they reveal the power of our Creator.
- God made men and women to reflect Him to the world.
- He made them to be in a relationship with Him.
- He made them to bear His image to the world.
- God shows the world who He is through the creation of mankind.



Play a game of Pin the Tail on the Donkey except replace the donkey with the outline of a person. Instead of pinning tails, pin paper mirrors with different characteristics of God on them. After playing, remind the children that God created man and woman in His image. We are a reflection of Him.

Men and women reflect God to the world.

- God, in His great wisdom, chose to reveal Himself through people.
- Just as a mirror reflects an image, men and women reflect God to the world.
- We can learn about God through men and women.
- There are certain traits of God reflected in people.
- When we show kindness, love, peace, patience or any other fruit of the Spirit to others, we are reflecting God to the world.
- When we are creative or inventive, we are showing the world who God is.
- God's design or creation of mankind is one that reveals His glory to the world.

In whose image are we created? (We are created in God's image.)

Whom do we reflect to the world? (We reflect God to the world.)

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What does it mean to have a purpose? (It means to have a reason for having something or doing something.)

God created everything with a purpose.

- All of creation has a God-given purpose.
- God designed man and woman with a unique purpose that is different from the rest of creation.
- He created them to glorify Him, or bring Him honor and to show the world He is holy.
- Men and women are a reflection of God.
- To be a reflection of God means to show the world who God is.
- God also shows Himself through people.



Bring in several items, such as scissors, frying pan, tape, ink pens, alarm clock, etc. Ask the children to identify the purpose of each item. After they do, remind them that God created us with a purpose. Our purpose is to glorify Him.

God created us with the purpose to be fruitful.

- God's desire when He created Adam and Eve was for a family to begin.
- God desires for all people to be in a family and to be a part of His family.
- God desires for us to fulfill His purpose for us.
- Every person is created in the image of God to glorify God.
- We were not created by accident or without a purpose.
- We were all created by God with a special purpose to be in a relationship with Him.
- Men and women are the only beings created in the image of God and they are the only beings created for a relationship with God.
- Our lives have meaning and purpose because we are created in the image of God and given a purpose by God.⁴

When God created people, what purpose did He give them? (He created them to be fruitful and He created them to glorify Him. He also created them to be in a relationship with Him.)

4. Ephesians 2:10: We are God's handiwork. We are created with a purpose given to us by God.

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HOOKS



God Made Us With A Purpose

Have the children look up several verses about God's purpose for our lives. Use the following and any others that you find: Ecclesiastes 12:13, 1 Corinthians 10:31, Romans 12:1, Micah 6:8, and Isaiah 43:21. Lead the children in a discussion about man's purpose and how God created man to bring Him glory.



- When God created people, He created them with a purpose.
- The purpose of every person is to glorify God and enjoy Him.
- We can bring God glory by obeying Him and fulfilling His will for our lives.
- We can know His will for our lives by reading and studying His Word.



God Made Man and Woman

Place the outline of a man and woman on the wall. Give the children markers and have them take turns writing on the man and/or woman something that is unique to each one. For example, a child can write on the man that men are generally stronger than women. Once they've written several things, talk with them about how God made us male and female for a purpose and reason.



- It is God's design that we are male and female. It is His purpose that we are different.
- God made us male and female, and we reflect His image.
- Male and female are different because God made us different.