

# GOD CREATED ALL THINGS

STORY: CREATION / YEAR: KINGDOM

## BIG TRUTH: GOD CREATED ALL THINGS

Exodus 20:11; Nehemiah 9:6; Isaiah 42:5; 45:18; Jeremiah 32:17; John 1:1-3; Colossians 1:16-17; Hebrews 11:3; Revelation 4:11

## BIBLE VERSE: NEHEMIAH 9:6

6 “You are the LORD, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you.

## BIG IDEAS

- God made everything
- God created the day, night, sky, and sea
- God created the land, plants, sun, moon, and stars
- God created the sea creatures, birds, animals, and man
- God made rest

## BIBLE STORY: GENESIS 1:1-31

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. As we open our Bible, we see that everything is made by God and for God. God created every single thing. All the animals, plants, stars and even you! God saved his best creation for last, man. Man is special because he is made in God’s image. After six days of creation, God rested from his work. Use chapter 1 of Genesis to review and reaffirm that God created all things!

## STORY: CREATION

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



KNOW

### Every child should know that:

- There is nothing that exists that did not come from God



FEEL

### Every child should feel:

- Thankful for the life they have because God created the world



DO

### Every child should:

- Be able to retell the narrative of creation



WANT

### Every child should want:

- To honor God by honoring God’s creation

## FAMILY DEVOTION

Guide 9 acts as a review for the preceding weeks. Use this guide and devotion to support, reinforce, and review concepts learned throughout the past weeks and to test your child’s understanding and memory of these truths.



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**God is Lord alone and the Creator of all.**

- God is the only true God. There is no other true God.
- Not only is God the one true God, He is Lord, or ruler of all things and all people.
- God is the Creator of everything.
- He rules over all of creation and He alone has control of everything.

**God takes care of all that He created.**

- God not only created all things, but He sustains all things, too.
- Everything is made by God and taken care of by Him.
- God created all the heavens and all the earth and He watches over them.
- He continues to keep the earth alive and is actively involved in the lives of His people.

**God gives all life and writes every story.**

- God is not an uninvolved Creator.
- He is the giver of all life.
- He not only gives life, but He writes every story.
- He is involved in the smallest detail of every story.
- He is the ruler and Lord of all.
- He is not surprised by anything that happens in anyone's life because He is the giver of all life and He is the Creator of every story.

**BIBLE STORY: GENESIS 1****Opening Illustration:**

Bring in a large piece of blank paper and tape it to a wall or to the board. Give the children several markers. Tell the children that you are going to create a story with pictures about a boy and girl going to school one day. Help the children come up with the story and draw pictures to tell the story on the large piece of paper. (Older children can write parts of the story.) Once they have finished, talk with them about how their story is created by God and controlled by Him.

- Who created the story about our girl and boy? (We created the story.)
- Who controlled what happened to the boy and girl? (We controlled it.)
- God creates our stories. He gives us life and is involved in our lives.
- God also controls our stories. He is in charge of all things and He watches over our lives and cares for us.

Guide 9 acts as a review for the preceding weeks. The Big Ideas in Guide 9 are the Big Truths that were learned in Guides 4-8. Use this week as an opportunity to review and reinforce these truths. For further study, information, or resources, refer back to Guides 4-8.

### **BIG IDEA: GOD MADE EVERYTHING**

BIBLE VERSE: GENESIS 1:1

*“In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.”*

See Guide 4 for more information on this Big Idea.

### **BIG IDEA: GOD CREATED THE DAY, NIGHT, SKY, AND SEA**

BIBLE VERSE: PROVERBS 3:19

*“The Lord by wisdom founded the earth; by understanding He established the heavens.”*

See Guide 5 for more information on this Big Idea.

### **BIG IDEA: GOD CREATED THE LAND, PLANTS, SUN, MOON, AND STARS**

BIBLE VERSE: PSALM 74:16

*“Yours is the day, yours also the night; you have established the heavenly lights and the sun.”*

See Guide 6 for more information on this Big Idea.

### **BIG IDEA: GOD CREATED THE SEA CREATURES, BIRDS, ANIMALS, AND MAN**

BIBLE VERSE: GENESIS 1:26

*“Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”*

See Guide 7 for more information on this Big Idea.

### **BIG IDEA: GOD MADE REST**

BIBLE VERSE: HEBREWS 4:10

*“For whoever has entered God’s rest has also rested from his works as God did from His.”*

See Guide 8 for more information on this Big Idea.

## HOOKS



Play "I Spy." As you play, ask the children who created the things that they see. Remind them that God is the creator of all things.

Before class, print out or write the names of different things that God created, such as lions, vegetables, trees, rivers, oxygen, etc. Play a game of Charades with the children. Once everyone has a chance to play, talk with them about how God created all things.



Before class, gather together several small objects, such as pens, pencils, crayons, small flashlights, socks, etc. Show the objects to the children and ask them to tell you what the purpose of each object is. Once they identify the purpose of each object, talk with the children about how God created all things with purpose.

