SCRIPTURE, STORIES, AND ACTIVITIES

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Creation Week Discover how God made our world

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Scripture The Faithful Version

The Creation

Genesis 1

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void. And darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light." And there was light. And God saw the light that it was good; and God divided between the light and the darkness. And God called the light day, and He called the darkness night. And the evening and the morning were day one.

And God said, "Let there be a firmament or expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." And God made the firmament and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so. And God called the firmament heavens. And the evening and the morning were day two.

And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together to one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so.

And God called the dry land earth, and He called the gathering together of the waters, seas; and God saw that it was good.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth vegetation—the herb yielding seed and the fruit tree producing fruit after its kind, whose seed is in itself—upon the earth." And it was so.

And the earth brought forth vegetation—the herb yielding seed after its kind, and the tree producing fruit after its kind, whose seed is in itself. And God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were day three.

And God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide between the day and the night, and let them be for signs, and for set times which are the Feasts and Holy Days of God for seasons, and for days and years; and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so.

And God had made two great lights, the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night; and God had made the stars also. And God set them in the firmament of the heavens to give light upon the earth, and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide between the light and the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And the evening and the morning were day four.

And God created great sea-animals, and every living creature that moves with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged fowl after its kind. And God saw that it was good. And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters of the seas, and let the fowl multiply in the earth." And the evening and the morning were day five.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures after their kind—livestock, creeping things, and beasts of the earth—each after its kind." And it was so. And God made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the livestock after their kind, and every creeping thing upon the earth after their kind. And God saw that it was good.

And 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 fowl of heaven and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that crawls upon the earth." And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him. He created them male and female.

And God said, "Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree upon which is the fruit of a tree bearing seed—to you they shall be for food.

And to every animal of the earth and to every fowl of heaven and to all the living creatures that crawl upon the earth, every green plant is given for food." And it was so.

And God saw everything that He had made, and indeed, it was exceedingly good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

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Bible Story

How God Created Everything

In the beginning, there was God. There was no sun, no animals, no trees or any birds to fly around and there were no people like you and me at all.

Then God decided to make a big, wonderful world for people to live in. He did this in one week or seven days.



On the first day, He saw the darkness and so He made light. It shone brightly all around. He called the light day and the darkness night. This was the end of the first day.

On the second day, He divided the waters. Some were above and some were below. The thing He used to divide the waters from each other, He called the sky. So there was water above the earth and on earth.



On the third day, He gathered up all the waters on the earth into one place. He called this the sea. The rest of the place was now dry land and He called this the earth.

Then God told the earth to bring forth grass, plants and trees. And it happened, just as God said.



On the fourth day, God made some special lights. He made the sun, the moon, and the stars. The sun was to shine in the day and the moon and stars at night so people could see. Day L God said Let there be sun for the day



On the fifth day, God decided to make all things that can fly in the air and live in the sea. So, He made all kinds of birds and whales, fish, dolphins and even tiny sea horses.





Day 5, God said Let the water swarm with creatures and the air with flying birds

On the sixth day, God made land animals like lions, tigers, dogs, cats and cows.

On this same day He also made people to live in his beautiful world. He put human beings in charge of everything else he had made.

God looked at all the things He had made over the six days. He saw that it was very good. He was very happy. His work was all done.

Then on the seventh day He rested. He stopped working because He had finished all He had to do and He made this a very special day for us to rest on too.

This is how God made the heavens and the earth and everything in it – including you and me.

Day 6 God said Let the land be filled with many kinds of creatures and Adam and Eve to care for the world.



Day 7

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God rested from all His work. He set this day apart from other days. It is for rest and time for God.

Draw a picture below of something you do on the Sabbath.

Bible Memory Verse

Ages 4 - 5

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

Ages 6 - 7 Genesis 1:1-2a

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. And the earth was without form and void.

Ages 8 - 9 Genesis 1:1-2

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. And the earth was without form and void, and darkness was upon the face of the deep, and the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

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You can use your blue crayon to fill in a sky too!

Day 3 "Let the land produce plants and trees."

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Day 5 "Let the water swarm with

creatures.

Coloring Page



Here are some more creatures made on

Day 6

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Ages 4 - 7

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Matching

Draw a line from the Day to the Picture (What was made on that day?) Some days match more than one picture.

Day 1	
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Day 3	-
Day 4	
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Day 7	

Draw a Picture

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for each day of Creation



Ages 4 - 6

I was created on day 5. Join the dots and colour me in.



Join the dots and color me in!

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I was made on Day 6. Who am I?



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Adam and Eve with the animals.

Find your way to the Sabbath Day!

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Find your way to the Sixth Day.

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From The Faithful Version (scripture)

Genesis 1

Complete the crossword puzzle below



Across

3. In the beginning, God made the _____ and the earth.

5. And God said, 'Let there be lights in the firmament ... and let them be for _____.'

7. God called the dry land

11. And God said, 'Let the waters under the heavens be ______ to one place.'

- 14. God made two great
- God saw everything that He made, and indeed, it was good.
- 16. God said, 'Let us make man in Our image, after Our
- 19. The earth was without form and
- God divided between the light and the _____

Down

The Spirit of God moved upon the face of the _____

God said 'Let the earth bring forth ______.

4. God said 'Let there be a _____ in the midst of the waters.'

6. God said 'Let the waters abound with swarms of living

8. God said to the male and female, 'Be fruitful and

multiply and _____ the earth.'

9. God created great _____

10. He created them (man in his image) male and

12. God blessed them saying 'Be fruitful and

 God said 'Behold, I have given you every _____ bearing seed.'

17. God said let the earth bring forth living creatures after their

 Every tree upon which is the fruit of a tree bearing seed to you they shall be for _____.

Story Time Yes, Sally, There is a God

It had been a hard day at school and Sally really needed to talk to Grandpa. She often called in on her way home after school and she knew Grandma was expecting her by the delicious smells wafting from the kitchen. Vanilla, chocolate, mmm. She shook her head and ignored the impulse to walk into the front door and straight to the kitchen. No, she must speak to Grandpa first.

Sally was feeling shaky. She was nine years old and questioning everything she knew. It wasn't cool to be a Christian at her school and more than that, she felt stupid believing that God created the world. Her friends were not even allowed to talk about Him with her because their parents didn't believe in God and they didn't want their children to believe lies. She feared they probably didn't want her friends to hang out with her. Her teacher was an atheist too. She was nice about it, but no one was allowed to say anything about God or church or anything like that in her classroom. She said we needed to "keep uneducated beliefs out of an educational setting." Sally felt like crying.

Grandpa loved to paint, and she knew she would find him painting somewhere – the garden or his studio out the back. Sally walked down the side path to the back garden. It was a gently sunny day and as expected Grandpa was sitting at his easel, painting. As she got closer, Sally saw a lovely painting of a pair of lorikeets perched on the water feeder. They were no longer there but Grandpa was still painting, finishing off the details. Grandpa knew she was there without turning around.

"Hello there, Sally," Grandpa greeted. "Have you been inside yet? I think Grandma's made your favorite cookies."

Sally sighed. "Not yet, Grandpa. I wanted to talk to you about something. But I don't know if you can help me. I don't know if anyone can help me."

Grandpa laid down his brush and stood up. He reached down and gave her a big Grandpa hug. They just stood there for a long time and all Sally's feelings of loss rose up in a flood of tears. She felt like she was losing God and how could she keep going without Him?

"Come on sweetie," Grandpa reached for her hand. "Let's go into my studio and pray."



That's what Grandpa always did when she had a problem. He would pray with her and she always felt better, much better. This time too. She felt better just knowing they were going to pray. They knelt down together and Grandpa prayed, "Dear Father in Heaven, Sally and I are asking you to help Sally with her problem. Give her the answers she needs and help me to say what you want me to say." In Jesus Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Sally helped Grandpa stand up and they sat on the small sofa against the wall. A large bible was open on the coffee table in front of them. Grandpa had been reading Psalms. Sally glanced down at Psalm 14, verse 1 and knew that God meant that for her. It said, "The fool says in his heart 'there is no God'."

Grandpa asked, "What is causing you a problem, Sally?"

Sally pointed to the scripture. "A lot of people are telling me there is no God and they say I am stupid for believing in Him. They say I only believe in God because the bible tells me he is real, and the bible is just a story."

Grandpa leaned forward and flicked the pages of his beloved bible to Psalm 19, verse 1. He read, *"The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork."*

"What does that mean, Grandpa?" Sally wasn't thinking too well today.



"Well, let's keep reading and see what the bible says," Grandpa suggested. "Day after day, they pour forth speech, and night after night they reveal knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard. Their line has gone out through all the earth and their words to the end of the world."

Sally smiled. "The creation is speaking to us, isn't it Grandpa? God isn't only revealed in the bible; He is revealed through the creation."

"Yes, Sally. The creation speaks for itself and shouts to us that there is a Creator," Grandpa waved his arms around, then pointed to the sky.

"I don't believe in God only because the bible tells me to. I read the bible because I believe in God, and through the bible He speaks to us."

"But why do you believe in God, Grandpa?" Sally was still a bit worried.

Grandpa put his arm around her, and she snuggled close. "I believe in God because it is obvious to me that this world, all its creatures and the heavens with their beautiful stars didn't happen by accident. It is ridiculous to think such perfection evolved out of nothing. No, they are so perfectly designed and made that there must be a Master Designer and Creator behind them." "Relief washed over Sally. "It's true then, isn't it Grandpa?"

Grandpa raised his eyebrows and looked at her.

Sally explained. "It's true that only a fool believes in his heart there is no God."

Grandpa nodded his head. "Yes, and it's a very sad thing for your friends and your teacher. We'll pray for them."

Sally nodded. Her stomach suddenly rumbled loudly and they both laughed.

"Cookies!" They both yelled at the same time.



The End

Prayer from Psalm 23

Dear Father in Heaven,

You are my shepherd, my helper and my protector. You give me everything I need. When I am upset, you calm me down. You make me better. You take care of me. No matter how bad things get, you are with me. So, I won't worry because you help me.

When everything looks bad, you step in and do wonderful miracles for me in front of people who treat me badly. You set me apart to live for you and you bless me. I know your goodness and mercy will stay with me my whole life and I will be with you forever.

Lead me to always walk the right way. Thank you very much.

In Jesus Christ's name, Amen.



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