

1 Lesson

A New World

Genesis 1:1-25; Patriarchs and Prophets, pp. 44, 45

Have you ever been in a very dark place? No light anywhere? That is just what it was like when God began to create our world.

God looked at the dark, watery space. It was time to put His plans for earth into motion. Then God said, "Let there be light." And suddenly there was a bright light. God separated the light from the darkness. He called the light day and the darkness night. This was the first day of Creation.

God looked around. Water covered everything. He spoke and the waters divided, forming the sky. This was the second day of Creation.

God looked at the watery world. He said, "Let the water under the sky be separated and let dry ground appear." As He spoke, it happened. God called the waters "seas" and the dry ground "land." God looked

at the land and the seas, and He saw that it was good.

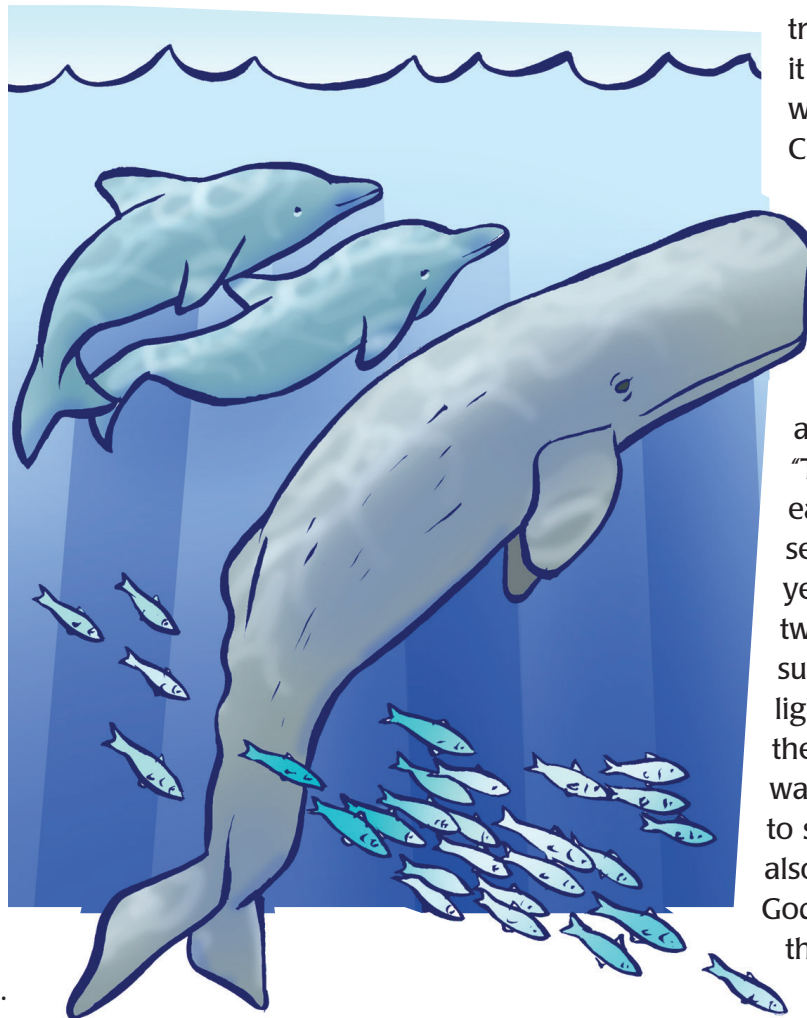
Then God said, "Let the land produce vegetation: seed-bearing plants and trees on the land that bear fruit with seed in it, according to their various kinds." And it was

so. God looked at the plants and trees, and saw that it was good. This was the third day of Creation.

God looked up at the sky. "Let there be lights in the heavens to separate day and night," He said. "They will light the earth and mark seasons, days, and years." God made two great lights. The sun was the brighter light to shine during the day. The moon was the weaker light to shine at night. God also made the stars. God looked at the sun, the moon, and the stars and saw that it was good. This

was the fourth day of Creation.

God said, "Let the seas and the rivers be filled with living creatures. Let birds fill the air with their songs." God looked at all the creatures that



The Message

“God is love” is written upon all He made.

Memory Verse

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth”

(Genesis 1:1, NIV).

live in the water. He watched the birds. “That’s good!” He said. God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and increase in number. Fill the seas, the rivers, and the sky.” This was the fifth day of Creation.

God said, “Let the land produce living creatures—livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild animals.” God looked at them and saw that they were good. Then God said, “Let us make people in our image. They will rule over the fish of the sea, the birds, the livestock, the animals that creep on the ground, and all other living things.”

God created man and woman (next week’s lesson will give the details of how that happened) and blessed them saying, “Be fruitful and increase in number. Fill the earth and rule over it. I give you all the seed-bearing plants and fruits of the trees for food. I give every creature every green plant for food.” God looked at everything that He had made, and it was very good. This was the sixth day of Creation.

God made the world in six days. When He finished making it beautiful, He gave it to Adam and Eve to care for. God still gives us wonderful gifts today because He loves us. When we see the wonderful things in nature, let’s remember that God’s love is shown by the things He has made.





S A B B A T H

DO If possible, go for a walk with your family and look at things God made. How many different kinds of trees can you find? Have each member of the family choose a different alphabet letter. Ask: How many things God made can you think of that begin with that letter?

PRAY Thank God for the beautiful things in nature.

READ Review the memory verse.

S U N D A Y

READ During family worship, read and discuss Genesis 1:1-5 together. How many different types of lights can you find in your house?

DO When does the sun rise and set where you live?

PRAY Sit alone in a dark room, in your home, for few minutes. What does it feel like? Thank God for both the light and the dark.

READ Review the memory verse.

M O N D A Y

READ Read and discuss Genesis 1:6-8 during worship today. Think of three Bible stories involving water. Tell your family about them.

DO Fill a basin with water. Scoop some water up in your hands. How much can you hold? Remember, to be healthy you should drink 6-8 glasses of water every day. So drink a glass of water right now.

DO Fill in the blanks to describe three forms of water. L _____, l ____, V _____. What is the biggest lake in your country?

DO Look at the sky. Draw any clouds, birds, or planes you may have seen there. Then thank God for the sky.

READ Review the memory verse.

T U E S D A Y

READ For family worship today, read and discuss Genesis 1:9-13.

DO How many different seeds can you find? Mount them on paper and take them to Sabbath School on Sabbath.

MAKE Place a leaf on the table, cover it with paper, and rub over it with a wax crayon. What happens?

DO Survey your family to find out what their favorite vegetable is. Share the results with them, then thank God for all the wonderful plants.

READ Review the memory verse.

W E D N E S D A Y

SHARE For family worship today read and discuss Genesis 1:14-19. What is the difference between a planet and a star? (Look in a dictionary or, with your parents' help, on the Internet.)

MAKE Name the planets that make up our solar system. (Research this at the library or online.) Draw the shapes of those planets and attach different lengths of thread. Tie the threads to a coat hanger and hang the hanger where you can enjoy it.

THINK Name an Old Testament story and a New Testament story involving stars. Then thank God for the sun, moon, and stars.

READ Review the memory verse.

God must have had fun thinking up giraffe necks, lion manes, elephant trunks, and monkey tails!





T H U R S D A Y

READ

Read and discuss Genesis 1:20-23 with your family.

DRAW

Draw a fish. Who was swallowed by a large fish?

DO

Put out some bread crumbs for the birds. How many different birds came?

DO

Go outside with a family member and stand still. Hear any bird songs? The birds praise God with their songs. Sing a favorite praise song, then thank God for birds and fish.

READ

Review the memory verse.

F R I D A Y

READ

Read Genesis 1, for family worship tonight. Throw a wadded piece of paper to family members. As you throw, name a day of Creation and ask them to name something created on that day.

MAKE

Mix a little water with some clay and model a person. Leave it somewhere to dry.

PRAY

Thank God for making your family and for giving you all His wonderful gifts of grace.

DO

Say the memory verse from memory for your family.

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PUZZLE

Directions: Look in your lesson to find what God created. Copy the letters in the vertical boxes on the lines below to find out what Creation teaches us about God.

1. A 6-letter word from the third day of Creation
2. A 5-letter word from the sixth day of Creation
3. A 3-letter word from the first day of Creation
4. A 5-letter word from the fifth day of Creation
5. A 3-letter word from the second day of Creation
6. A 6-letter word from the third day of Creation
7. A 4-letter word from the fourth day of Creation
8. A 9-letter word from the sixth day of Creation
9. A 5-letter word from the first day of Creation

