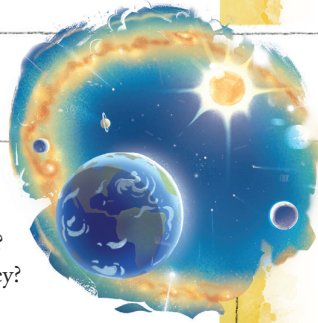


Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Describe what part of the creation story is surprising to you.
- Why did God create everything?
- Talk about a time you saw goodness in creation. How did you react or respond?

God Created the World

Genesis 1

STORY POINT: GOD CREATED EVERYTHING, AND EVERYTHING HE CREATED WAS GOOD.

In the beginning, nothing existed except for God. God created the heavens and the earth. God spoke: "Let there be light!" What God said happened. God saw that the light was good. Evening came, and then morning came. That was the first day.

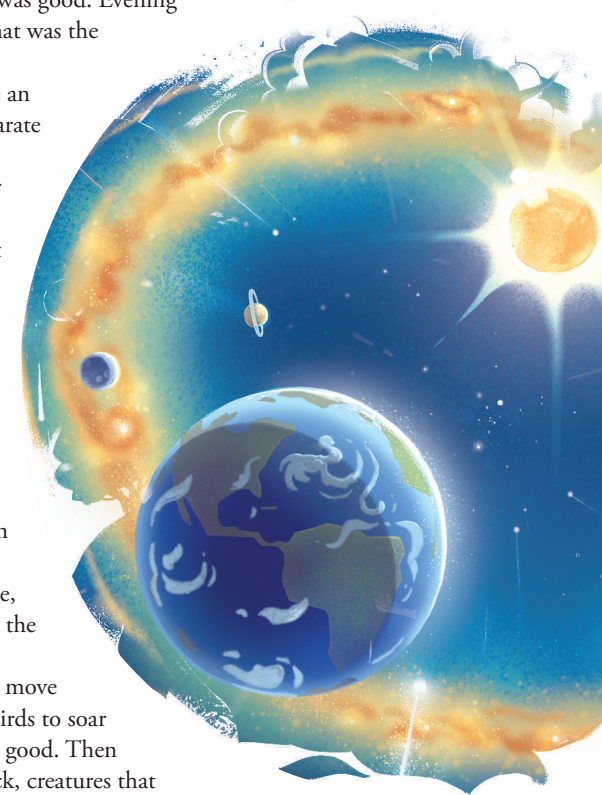
God spoke again: "Let there be an expanse between the waters to separate them." What God said happened.

God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear." What God said happened. God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth make plants and trees with fruits and seeds." What God said happened, and God saw that it was good.

Next, God placed lights in the sky. God created the sun to shine during the day and the moon and stars to shine at night. God saw that it was good. Evening came, and then morning came. That was the fourth day.

Next, God made creatures that move and swim in the water. He made birds to soar across the sky. God saw that it was good. Then God made more animals—livestock, creatures that crawl, and wildlife—to live on the earth. When God said it, it happened. And God saw that all of it was good.

Christ Connection: Jesus is Lord over all of creation. The Son has always existed. The Bible says everything was created by Him and for Him, and He holds everything together. All of creation exists to bring God glory.



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