



*My Bible Studies #1*

# **A NEW WORLD**



## GOD'S SPECIAL BOOK

**T**he Bible is the most wonderful book in the whole world. Do you have a Bible in your home? Do you have your very own Bible? Bibles are special, and we should take good care of them.

Did you know that there are really 66 books in the Bible? Each book has a different name, like John, Daniel, or Revelation. And each book has chapters and verses in it to help us find what we want to read.

In these lessons, you will read part of each story from the Bible for yourself. Do you have a Bible with you now? Let's get started with the very first story in it.

## IN THE BEGINNING

**I**n your Bible, turn to Genesis, which is the first book. Find the first chapter and read the first verse carefully. See if you can find answers to these three questions: First, *when* did something wonderful happen? Second, *who* did it? Third, *what* happened? **Genesis 1:1.**

When you want to draw a pic-

ture, what do you need? Paper? Pencils or pens?

But when God made our world, He didn't need to use anything; all He needed to do was to speak. And it took Him only six days to make everything in our world!

## THE FIRST DAY

**W**hen the first day began, it was totally dark. The world was covered with nothing but water. Then God spoke. What did He say? **Genesis 1:2–5.**



Suddenly, there was light! Now there was a dark time and a light time. God had made the very first day. What do we call the first day of the week? Sunday.

It may seem that days start in the morning. But actually, the Bible tells us that "the evening and the morning were the first day." So each day begins in the evening.

## THE SECOND DAY

**W**hat do we call the second day? Monday. What did God do on Monday? **Genesis 1:6–8.**

Again, God just spoke. Suddenly, there was blue sky and fresh



air above the clean water that covered the whole world.

God carefully planned everything before He started. He didn't forget even one little thing. He knew that the living things would need fresh air and clean water, so He made these things first.

### THE THIRD DAY

**T**hat evening, the third day began. What is the name of the third day of the week? Tuesday.

God spoke again. What did He say this time? **Genesis 1:9, 10.**

Do you wish you could have been there to watch the dry land rise up out of the water all over the world? Soon, all the water was gathered into lakes, rivers, and streams.

### THINKING ABOUT IT

Why did God make a night time and a day time? Do you need sleep so you can be ready for the day?

Do you get fresh air every day? How much water do you drink every day? To be healthy, be sure to drink lots of water!

But would you have wanted to live in a world without trees or flowers or grass or food anywhere—only dry, brown land? No! So God spoke again. What did He say this time, and what happened? **Genesis 1:11–13.**

How exciting! Right away, the brown land was covered with fields of beautiful grasses that waved and rippled in the gentle breeze.



In other places there suddenly appeared forests of giant trees. God also made many kinds of beautiful bushes and lovely vines. Some were loaded with delicious fruits, nuts, and seeds, all ready to be eaten.

What beautiful flowers all the plants had, too! God had thought of so many different kinds and colors and shapes. And oh, how very sweet they smelled!

There was not even one brown, dead leaf, nor bare, ugly branch on

anything. There were no weeds or thorns or harmful bugs. Can you imagine that?

### THE FOURTH DAY

Now it was time for the fourth day. What do we call that day? Wednesday.

When God spoke this time, what happened? **Genesis 1:14–19.**

That night, for the very first time, the big, silver moon slowly sailed across the sky, while thousands of stars twinkled like diamonds.

In the morning, the big, warm sun peeked over the eastern hills for the first time. Slowly, it moved higher and higher; then in the afternoon it gradually sank lower and lower in the sky until it disappeared behind the hills in the west. As it came up and went down, it made gorgeous colors in the sky. What a beautiful way to begin and end each day!



### THE FIFTH DAY

By the end of the fourth day, the world was a very beautiful place. But except for the sound of water, the soft whisper of leaves, and the rustle of grass moving in the breeze, it was very quiet.

On the fifth day, Thursday, God spoke again. What did He say? **Genesis 1:20–23.**

Suddenly, the air was filled with the beautiful songs of thousands of happy birds praising God. And what brilliant feathers they had!—red, blue, yellow, purple, and orange.

Some birds were tall. Some were tiny. Some flew high in the sky. Some ran around on the ground. Some began building nests in the trees and bushes. All of them were tame; not one of them was afraid.

And when God spoke, the lakes and streams and rivers were suddenly alive with thousands of water







creatures. Some were very large; some were very small. Some even looked like beautiful flowers. There were fish, dolphins, octopuses, shells, starfish, sea horses, and so many other creatures.

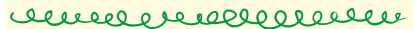
All the birds and water creatures God made that day were so wonderful and interesting that a person could never get tired of learning about them.



### THINKING ABOUT IT

How many kinds of fruits can you name? Would you like to choose to eat only what is good for you?

Can you name at least five birds and five water creatures?



### THE SIXTH DAY

**D**o you know what happened on Friday, the sixth day? Read the answer in [Genesis 1:24, 25](#).

Just by speaking, God made all the animals. We can't begin to name all the different kinds He made that day. Also, He made two of every kind—a male and a female.

Let's imagine that we were watching that day when God made the animals. What would it have been like? Maybe we would have

seen the first two big elephants happily swinging their trunks back and forth as they wandered around, eating leaves, sugar cane, and all the other things they enjoy. After watching them take a drink from a beautiful lake, we laugh as they spray water on each other.

Not far away stand two zebras with black and white stripes, grazing on the green grass. Two funny monkeys swing in the trees and chatter to each other. Two long-



necked giraffes reach up to nibble leaves. A handsome lion and a lioness rub against our legs, wanting to be petted. Dogs and cats and rabbits play tag with each other. Two large horses race across the field with their tails and manes flying in the breeze. Tigers roll on the soft grass. Deer and sheep graze close by, not at all afraid. Every animal was tame and gentle.

### A SPECIAL GARDEN HOME

**N**ow the world was ready for the special people that God was going to make. They would be very different from any of the animals, and more wonderful than anything else He had made that week.

What a beautiful home God had ready for them! It was not made of wood or bricks or cement blocks. It was a lovely garden with soft grass for a carpet and colorful vines for walls. Because it didn't rain, there was no need for a roof, and it was never too hot or too cold; it was always just right. What was this special home called? [Genesis 2:15](#).

### IN GOD'S IMAGE

**W**hat would the first people be like? [Genesis 1:26, 27](#).

God said He would make the man and the woman "in the image of God." What does that mean?

God, who created us, is our loving heavenly Father. We can't begin to understand everything about

Him. But the Bible tells us that He is good, gentle, and loving. He is never selfish or unkind (Psalm 86:5; 1 John 4:8), and He made people to be the same way.

Because of sin, we are not naturally good anymore. But Jesus can change our minds and help us choose to be kind and loving and obedient just like Him. He wants us to be His precious, happy children again.

### MAKING THE FIRST MAN

**W**hen God was ready to make the man, what did He do? [Genesis 2:7](#).

This time, God didn't just speak. He bent down and used dirt to carefully shape each part of the very first human being.



Each part was perfect. The man's brain was ready to think, his eyes to see, his ears to hear, his mouth to taste, his lungs to breathe, his heart to beat; and all the many other parts were ready to start working.

Then God lovingly held the man very close to Himself, and He

breathed His own powerful breath of life into him. Instantly, the man's heart started beating, and his body started working perfectly.



When the man opened his eyes, the first thing he saw was the loving face of God bending over him.

God called the man Adam. How God must have enjoyed showing Adam his beautiful home! Everything was ready for him to be the king of this world. And Adam looked like a king! He was tall and handsome, and he was very wise.

Now, animals and people in our world start as babies. But God made the first animals and people already grown up. If they had started as babies, who would have taken care of them? God thinks of everything, doesn't He?

### A HAPPY SURPRISE

**W**hat was one of the first things God asked Adam to do? [Genesis 2:19, 20.](#)

What fun! As Adam looked at each kind of animal, he immediately knew what to call it.

As Adam named the animals,

he noticed that each one was with another animal like itself. With the male dog was a female dog; and with the male lion there was a female lioness. But Adam did not see anyone like himself. It made him feel a little lonely, and he wished that God had made someone for him so they could talk with each other and enjoy God's beautiful world together.

Of course, God knew just what Adam was thinking, and He was pleased. Now He knew that it was time to make the lovely surprise He had planned for Adam.

First, He made Adam fall asleep; and while he was sleeping, God made the surprise. What was it? [Genesis 2:21, 22.](#)

When Adam woke up, perhaps he thought again how nice it would be to have someone like himself to be with him. Then, suddenly, he saw God coming toward him with a very beautiful woman. She was tall, and she looked like a queen. She was more beautiful than anything else God had made.



Right away, Adam knew that they belonged together, and he was very, very pleased. What did he say? **Genesis 2:23.**

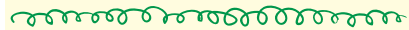
That was the very first wedding. What did God say as they became husband and wife? **Genesis 2:24.**

Husbands and wives belong to each other, and God wants them to love and care for each other as long as they live.

What name did Adam give his wife? **Genesis 3:20.**

### THE SEVENTH DAY

**B**y the end of day six, God had made everything that He had planned. There wasn't one more

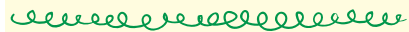


### THINKING ABOUT IT

Which animals would you like to have had for pets? How do you think God wants us to treat the animals He made?

Why are people more special than animals?

Can you tell what God did on each of the seven days of that first week?



thing He needed to do. As He looked at everything He had made, what did He think? **Genesis 1:31.**

How many days are there in a week? There are seven. What did God do on the seventh day? **Genesis 2:1–3.**

The seventh day was a special day for Adam and Eve to spend time with God. Resting on that day and keeping it holy every week would help them remember their wonderful Creator, and that would help them choose to love and obey God.

### MY COMMITMENT

**B**ecause God loves us so much, He has given us the Bible so we can learn about Him. Are you spending some time learning from your Bible every day?

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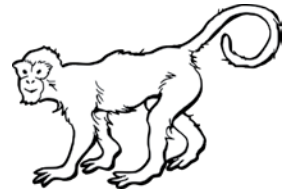
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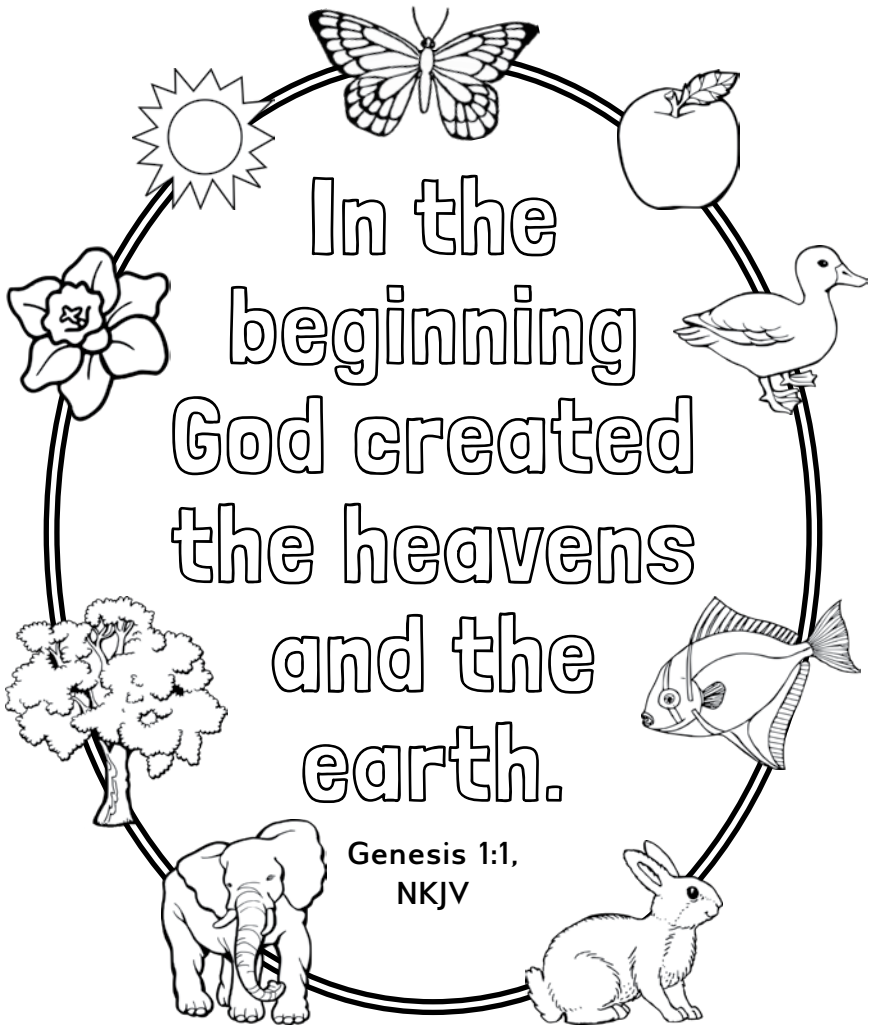


1. How many books are in the Bible? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the first book in the Bible? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Who created our world? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What did God make on the first day? \_\_\_\_\_
5. How did God make the world?
  - A. He used things already on the earth.
  - B. He just spoke and it was made.
  - C. The angels helped Him.
6. What did God make on the second day?

<input type="checkbox"/> Blue sky	<input type="checkbox"/> Frogs	<input type="checkbox"/> Air	<input type="checkbox"/> Dogs
<input type="checkbox"/> Trees	<input type="checkbox"/> Light	<input type="checkbox"/> Birds	<input type="checkbox"/> The moon
7. What did God make on the third day?

<input type="checkbox"/> People	<input type="checkbox"/> Flowers	<input type="checkbox"/> Birds	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry land
<input type="checkbox"/> Grass	<input type="checkbox"/> Stars	<input type="checkbox"/> Water	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish
<input type="checkbox"/> Seeds	<input type="checkbox"/> Plants	<input type="checkbox"/> Trees	<input type="checkbox"/> Grapes
8. On the fourth day, what two special lights did God make for the night time? \_\_\_\_\_  
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9. What did God make to light up the day and to give light to the moon? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What beautiful colors have you seen in a sunset or sunrise?  
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In the  
beginning  
God created  
the heavens  
and the  
earth.

Genesis 1:1,  
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11. God made birds on the fifth day. Name five kinds of birds.

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12. God also made water creatures on the fifth day. Name some fish and water creatures.

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13. What was the name of the special home that God made for the people? \_\_\_\_\_
14. How did God create Adam?  
 A. God formed his body from the dirt and breathed His own breath of life into him.  
 B. God said, "Let there be a man."
15. True or False?  
 T / F When God spoke, animals and plants appeared.  
 T / F God just spoke and people were created.  
 T / F People are different from animals, because they can reason and choose.
16. Who named the animals? \_\_\_\_\_

## MATCHING

*Draw lines to show what God created on each day.*

Day 1

Air, sky

Day 2

Light

Day 3

Land, grass, plants, trees, fruit

Day 4

Fish, birds

Day 5

The Sabbath

Day 6

Sun, moon, stars

Day 7

Animals, Adam, Eve



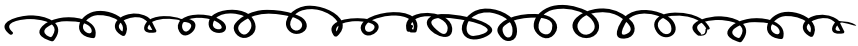
17. Did God make Eve the same way He made Adam? \_\_\_\_\_

18. What did God make on the sixth day?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Trees  | <input type="checkbox"/> Lions | <input type="checkbox"/> Swans     | <input type="checkbox"/> Horses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dogs   | <input type="checkbox"/> Adam  | <input type="checkbox"/> Fresh air | <input type="checkbox"/> Stars  |

19. What did God do on the seventh day? \_\_\_\_\_

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## CREATION WORD SEARCH

*Find the hidden words.*

- Adam
- Cats
- Dust
- Beautiful
- Eve
- Octopus
- Good
- Spoke
- Bible
- Genesis
- Light
- Air
- Fruit
- Stars
- Seven

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