

Lesson #1: HOW GOD MADE THE WORLD

GENESIS 1

The world is a wonderful place, all of beautiful interesting things. There are many different things to see and enjoy. How did this all come to be? Many people say that millions of years ago things just got started. First, there was nothing, then there was a big bang, and pretty soon there was some ooze that grew and changed until some of it started to be alive. They say that little by little by little the life got bigger and better until eventually there were plants and animals. Then they say that after millions of years some animal that was like a monkey changed to be a man.

Now all of this may seem silly to you, so I will tell you how everything really came to be. For you see, there was someone who saw it all and wrote it down for us, so that we could know the truth. And, the truth is a lot better than people's made up ideas. The only who was there at the beginning of time was God. Before time there was only God: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. These three, who are one, they decided that they wanted to create the world. God wasn't created. He has always been. He never changes. He is always the same.

In that long ago time, the triune God decided together to make our world. God the Son, whom we call Jesus, was the Word by which everything was made. There was

nothing that was not made by him. When God decided to make the world, He did not need any tools or materials which to work. Because He is God, He could CREATE. To create means to make something out of nothing. God simply said that the world should be, and the world was there.

At first the world was nothing but a huge dark ball. The water, and the sky, and the land were all mixed through each other. Then God said, "Let there be light." And there as light. God called the light day, and darkness he called night. And God saw that the light was good. Then he tells us that evening and morning were the first day. God wanted us to be sure to understand that the time He took to do this was only one twenty-four day, just as our days are twenty-four hours.

On the second day God said that there would be sky over the earth. On the third day, God separated the land from the water. He made brooks, the rivers, and lakes, and all the different bodies of water. He made the dry land with its fields, and meadows, and hills. God called the dry land earth, and great bodies of water He called seas. God covered the earth with wonderful things; green grass, beautiful flowers shade trees, fruit trees different types of grains and vegetables. God saw that all He had made was good. And the evening and the morning were the third day.

Then God beautified the sky. He made the big, bright, warm sun to give light and heat during the day. He made the moon to shine at night, along with millions of stars. The Bible says that God calls each star by name. This was the fourth day.

God had made the earth to be a beautiful place, but it was very quiet, because there were no living creatures. So God began by populating the waters. He made many different creatures; minnows, whales, crabs, octopus, sea-horses. Then God filled the air with birds: the hot pink flamingo, the very tiny hummingbird, the powerful eagle, and many more. The evening and morning were the fifth day of creation.

Still the land was quiet, so God said the earth should bring forth all kinds of animals and creeping things. Think of your favorite animals and creatures. God made them all with just a word. All The things that he made were perfect. There was no sickness or death. There was not a thing to spot the beauty of the earth that he created. He told all of his creatures to multiply and fill the earth.

In the world that God made, everything was just as He wanted it. There was no changing and turning into some other creature. God even said that each plant and each creature would reproduce only its kind.

Going back to what many people believe and teach in books in schools, we can see that they disagree with God. Many people would rather believe that they are an

animal which came about by accident, then believe that God created them. For if we believe that God made us, then we know that we must obey Him because he owns us.

Every person, you and I, must choose what we believe.

LEARN:

1 In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.

2 The same was in the beginning with God.

3 All things were made by him;
and without him was not any thing made
that was made.

John 1:1-3

Questions from Lesson

1. Where did God come from?

2. What was the world made out of?

3. How did God the Son make the world?

4. How long did it take God to make the world?

5. Why do people refuse to believe that God made the world and make up other things to believe about how the world came to be?

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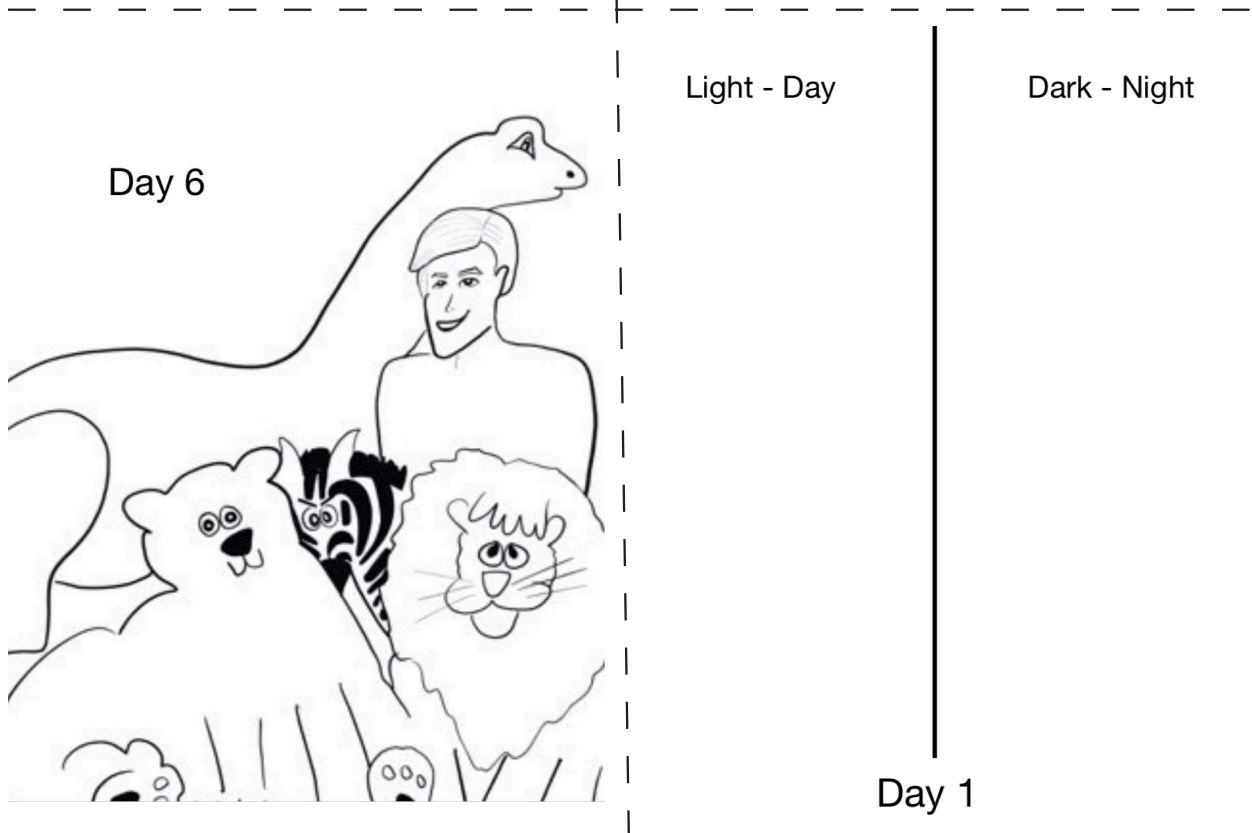


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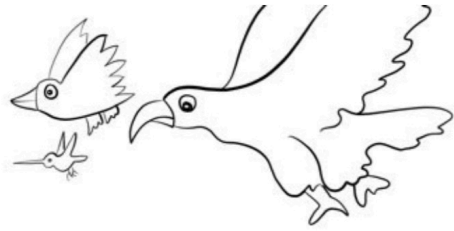
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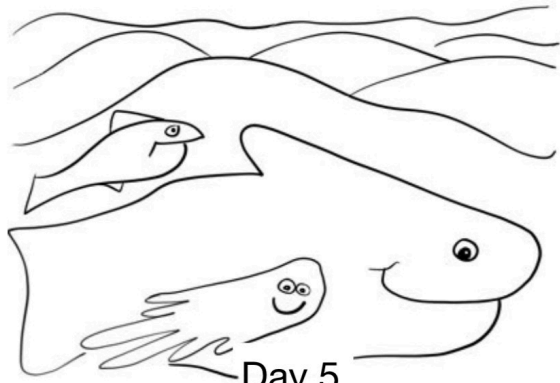


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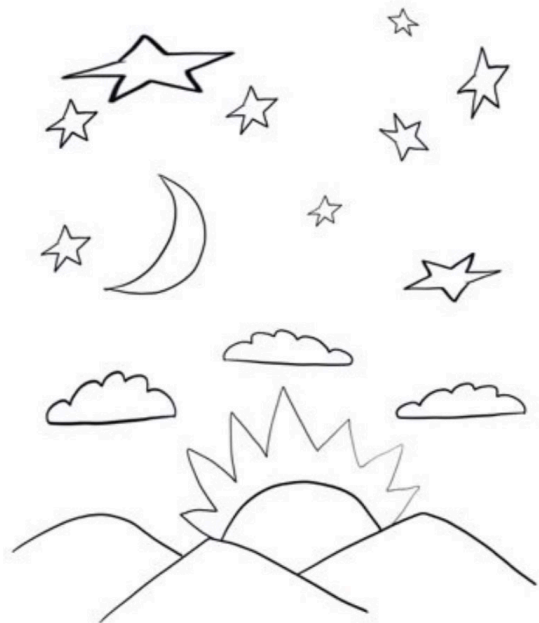


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Day 5



Day 3



Day 4

My Little Creation Book Craft

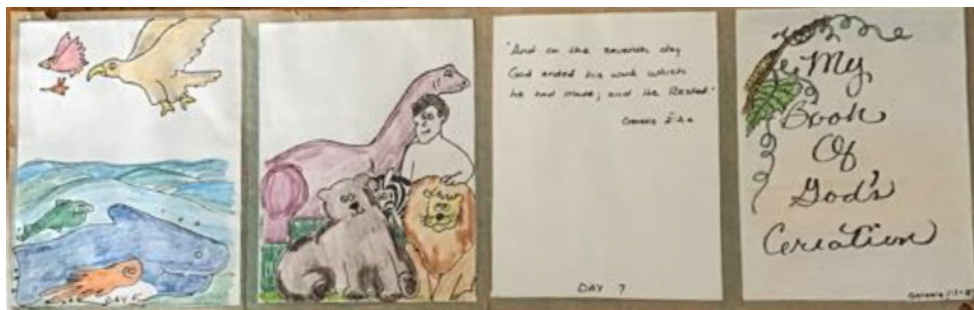
Supplies

Brown paper bag.

Print outs of my creation book layout.

Instructions

1. Print creation book template.
2. Layout template on brown paper bag and cut bag. The brown paper bag should form a backing for book. View finished example.





3. Paste pages onto brown paper bag in order and color. See example.