

THE CREATION STORY

Do you ever wonder where everything came from? The Bible says that God created the world.

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: Exploring God's Design - The Story Begins

- 1. Smell a flower. Listen to a bird. Feel a leaf. Everything in nature is perfectly designed to do what it needs to do, but not everything is the same. All flowers try to attract bees and other pollinators, but they don't all smell the same. Birds sing to communicate, but all in different ways. Some leaves make food, but they are various shapes, sizes, and textures. Did you ever wonder why?
- 2. "It was good." You will hear this a lot in this story. God used his incredible creativity and power to make a beautiful world. After each creation step, he looked at what he had made and was pleased with it. As you listen, think of something you have made that you were very proud of.

Memory Verse

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:1

After You Listen

"God commanded", "...that's what happened," and "It was good!" Did you hear those words over and over in the story? God has such power that when he speaks, things happen: good things! So many imaginative and beautiful creations! Think of beautiful mountain lakes, tiny complicated insects, frogs in a rainbow of colors, undersea creatures that glow, trees whose leaves change colors, and stars that explode into beautiful nebulas. All of this was made by our creative God! Thank him and praise him for his works!

You can read the Bible story in <u>Genesis 1-2:3</u>. Want to dig deeper and appreciate all of God's good creation? Check out <u>Psalm 33:6</u>, <u>Psalm 104:24-33</u>, and <u>Colossians 1:16</u>.

Challenge

God calls us to be co-creators with him. So make something! Draw a picture! Sculpt something with clay! Write a poem or a song! Build something!

OR

Take a walk through nature and focus on the tiny details. Look closely at a flower, or the bark on a tree, or an insect on the ground. God enjoys these things, you should too! Find examples of God's work and tell him, "That is very good!"

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: What was the first thing God created?

Answer: Light

Question 2: What was the last thing God created?

Answer: People

Question 3: What did God tell the people to do?

Answer: Rule over the fish, birds, and animals.

Question 4: What did God do on the last day?

Answer: Rested

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