



“God made the wild animals.”

Creating the World: Days 5 & 6 - Genesis 1:20-31

It was early in the morning and the sun was shining. The grass glistened with dew. Granny B walked out onto the porch and listened to the birds singing their morning song.

In her hand Granny B had her Bible and a soft, blue blanket. She walked down the steps and into the grass. After finding the perfect spot, Granny B spread out the blanket, sat down, and waited.

She didn't have to wait long before she saw Delbert and Lello. “Hello, little ones,” she called. Delbert and Lello picked up their pace when they heard Granny B and soon they were seated next to her on the blanket.

“Are you two ready to continue hearing how God created the earth?” asked Granny B.

“Baa. Yes, please. We were trying to figure out what came next. God made light, day, night, the sky, land, water, plants, the sun, moon, and the stars ... what was next?” questioned Lello.

Granny B smiled. “Let's look in the Bible,” she said and she began to read:

And God said, “Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the sky.” And God saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the fifth day. Then God said, “Let the land produce living creatures: livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild animals.” And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish and the birds, over the livestock, over all

the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

Then God said, “I give you every plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit. They will be yours for food. And to all the animals, fish and birds—I give every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw all that He had made, and it was very good.

“Haw! I knew animals had to be coming soon! God made so many of them. My favorite is the fish. I like to watch them splash around,” Delbert said. He stood up and started jumping around pretending to be a fish. Granny B and Lello laughed.

“My favorite part of creation is the people God created,” Lello added with a thoughtful smile. “I love my friends, Granny B and Pops!”

“Did you two notice what God gave to people and animals on the sixth day?” Granny B asked.

“Baa. Yes, I did. God gave them food,” Lello answered.

“That’s right. God is so good. Not only did He make the earth and all that was in it, He gave the plants to the animals and to people for food. God always provides for us,” said Granny B.

“I am glad He gave us strawberries to eat. Yum, yum,” Delbert said hungrily.

Just then they heard a deep laugh. “Did someone say strawberries?” There was Pops, carrying a basket. He sat down on the blanket and unpacked strawberries with some other tasty treats.

“Why don’t you two tell me what God created on days five and six while we eat,” Pops suggested to Delbert and Lello. The strawberries slowly disappeared as Delbert and Lello told Pops how God filled the earth with fish, birds, animals, and people.