

At-A-Glance: Ages 10-12 God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua Unit 5, Lesson 24

Creating the World: Days 5 & 6

Lesson Aim: To appreciate God's creation of living creatures and to discover what it means to be made in His image.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is the strangest animal you have ever seen?

GAME: Draw-A-Creature Relay

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO CREATES

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 148:7-13

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Bible Barn script or read storybook.

THE WORD GOD CREATED THE LIVING CREATURES

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: God made the land, the sea, the plants, and the planets.

Today, we will learn what God created on the fifth and sixth days of creation. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Genesis 1:20, 24-31. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Genesis 1:24. Pray. Read.

THE WAY GOD CREATED US IN HIS IMAGE

What did God make on the fifth day? (Birds and sea creatures.) What did God make on the sixth day? (Land creatures, including people.) What do you think the earth was like before God created the fish, birds, animals, and people? What do you think the earth was like after the living creatures were created? Why do you think God created the living creatures last? On the sixth day, what did God give to the people to eat? (Fruit and seeds from the plants and trees.) What did God give every creature to eat? (Green plants.)

GAME: 20 CREATURE QUESTIONS

God made every kind of living creature special and unique. He made creatures of different shapes, sizes, and colors. He made them with

different strengths, weaknesses, and habits. Let's play a game called 20 Creature Questions. In this game, I will whisper the name of a creature from the land, the sea, or the sky to one of you. The rest of you may ask up to 20 questions to guess the name of the creature. If time allows, play again. All day today, thank God each time you see a creature He created.

In whose image did God make man and woman? (His image.) Image means likeness. What do you think it means to be made in the likeness of God? Only God is perfect, all-powerful, all knowing, and present everywhere. There are many ways in which it is impossible to be like God but He did create us to be like Him in some ways. For example, God keeps His promises. We can keep our promises. What other ways can we be like God by imitating His qualities? (We can love, protect, care, comfort, forgive, provide, etc.)

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Thousands of years after God chose to create man and woman in His likeness, Paul explained we can be like Jesus in our attitude. Reveal Philippians 2:1-4; Galatians 5:22-23. Find Philippians 2:1-4 First. Highlight. Read.

The Holy Spirit lives within everyone who believes in Jesus, therefore we can be like Jesus through the fruit of the Spirit. Read and highlight Galatians 5:22-23. God has created you in His image. His plans include ways to help you become more like Him. How can you be more like God this week in caring for the people He has created? How can you be more like God this week in caring for the living creatures He has created? If time allows, see CREATION CARE in the GOT TIME? segment.

THE GOLDEN BOWL: Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Creation Keepsakes: Feather, animal (toy or photo)
- W³ BETWEEN THE LINES Journal Entry #24
- OFFERING OF ART: Favorite creatures God created on days 5 & 6
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Creature Cupcakes

GAMES: Four Animals, Remember the Elephant **CRAFTS:** Living Creature Collage, Creation Mural

DISCUSSION: Creation Care

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Bible Memory Verse Bop, Bible

Memory Verse Wave

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW