

At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9 God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua Unit 5, Lesson 24

Creating the World: Days 5 & 6

Lesson Aim: To appreciate God's unlimited creativity and attention to detail in the creation of all living things.

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 CARING FOR GOD'S CREATURES

What did God create to live in the water? (Every type of sea creature-fish and sea mammals.) What did God create to fly through the sky? (Every type of bird.) Did God create just a few of each type? (No. He created many so they would fill the entire earth.)

What did God create to live on the land? (Livestock which are farm animals, wild animals, people, and animals that move on the ground such as lizards, snakes, and worms.)

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.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

God gives life to all creatures. For all people who believe in His Son, He gives eternal life and calls us a new creation. Let's find out what God has planned for those who believe in Jesus. Reveal Ephesians 2:10. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

God worked to create us as a special part of His creation—that is what it means to be God's workmanship. What does this verse tell us we were created to do? (Good works.) What are some examples of good works God has prepared in advance for us to do? (Caring for others, teaching, leading, serving, encouraging, giving, etc.)

What job did God give to the man and woman? (Rule over all the creatures.) What does it mean to rule over all the creatures? (We are to take care of them.) God gave us a special job. He wants us to care for the earth He created. If time allows, see CREATION CARE in the GOT TIME? segment of this lesson.

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

FINAL FIVE MINUTES:

- TREASURE TREAT: Creation Keepsakes: Feather, animal (toy or photo)
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- 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