



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9
God of Wonders Part 2: Genesis - Joshua
Unit 5, Lesson 25

Adam and Eve in the Garden

Lesson Aim: To see God created us for specific relationships with Himself and others.

THE WELCOME

MEET & GREET: What is your favorite place that God made?

GAME: Human Knot

THE WORSHIP THE GOD WHO CREATES

Read Worship Scripture: Psalm 139:14-16.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Bible Barn script or read storybook.

THE WORD GOD CREATED ADAM AND EVE

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

Review: God made the creatures of the air, sea, and land.

Today, we will learn the details of how and why God created the first man and woman. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Genesis 2:15-24. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Genesis 2:18. Pray.

God placed the first man in the Garden of Eden. The river in the garden separated into the Pishon, Gihon, Tigris, and Euphrates. Point to the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. **While experts disagree on the exact location of Eden, it is important to note it was an actual place in the Middle East. As we read, think about how God created us for friendships with each other and with Him.** Read Genesis 2:15-24.

THE WAY GOD CREATED US FOR FRIENDSHIPS

How did God form the first man? (From the dust of the ground.) **Where did God place Adam after He formed him?** (The Garden of Eden.) **What was Adam's job?** (To take care of the garden.) **What do you imagine it was like to be the only human in the garden?**

What did God say about being alone? ("It is not good for the man to be alone.") **Why did God bring the animals to Adam?** (For Adam to name

them.) **Did Adam find a good helper among the animals?** (No.) **Why did God create the first woman?** (To give Adam a helper.) **God created the first woman to be his friend and work with him in caring for the garden. How did God form her?** (He put Adam to sleep and made her from one of Adam's ribs.) **The Bible tells us her name was Eve.**

God created us so we can be friends and help each other. What are some other reasons we are thankful for friends and helpers? Do you know an elderly person who lives alone? Brainstorm ways you can care for them or be their helper. Caring for the people God created is a great way to show you love Him and the people He created.

God said it is not good for man to be alone. Ever since God used Adam's rib to create Eve, men and women have left their parents so they could marry and become united as one.

CHRIST CONNECTION:

Why do you think God created us? Paul explains the answer. Reveal Acts 17:24-27. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

Does God need us? (No.) **He has never needed anything from us. He could take care of the garden without Adam's help. What reason does the Bible give for why God made us?** (To seek Him, reach out for Him, and find Him.) **God wants a special friendship with each of us. God wants us to love Him and accept that He loves us very much.**

Just as God wanted Adam and Eve to care for the garden, God wants us to care for His creation. What are some ways we can work together, as Adam and Eve did, to care for God's creation? Lead children in a discussion or 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: finger puppet
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: Adam and Eve in the garden
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Fruit of the Garden

GAMES: Alphabet Garden, Partner Tag

CRAFTS: Special Creation, Creation Mural

DISCUSSION: Creation Care

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Bible Memory Verse Bop, Bible Memory Verse Wave

BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW