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## Note to Parents

This devotional contains an interactive, age-appropriate story that aligns with the monthly topic. Older preschoolers can also use the story as an early reader. Each devotional emphasizes the monthly Heartprint, the main biblical concept or truth found in the story. As this truth is repeated, it leaves its imprint on the heart of a child for life! It is our prayer that you and your child will enjoy exploring the Bible and growing together in the Lord.

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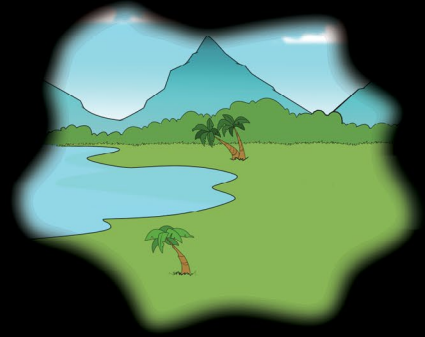
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# Great Tips for God Created Everything

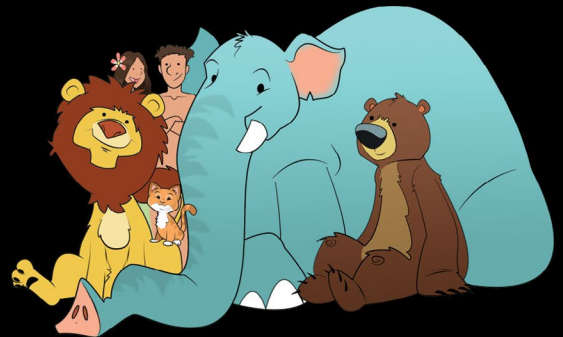
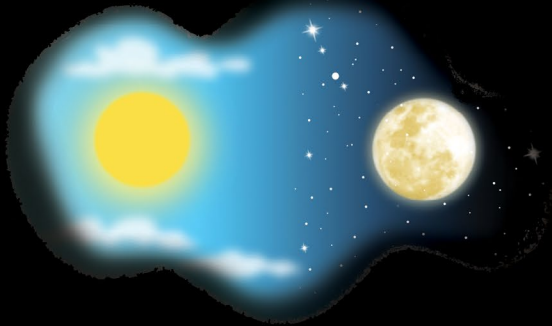
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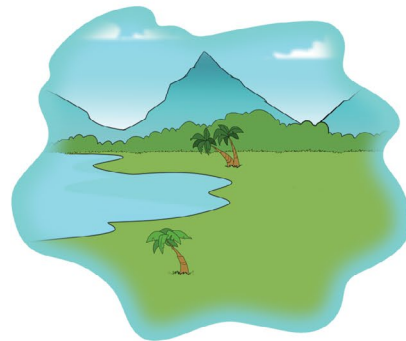
- Look for opportunities to help your child appreciate and care for God's creation.
- Encourage your child to identify things made by God and give thanks for them.
- Have fun creating something (a recipe, craft project, tower of blocks, etc.) with your child.
- Ask your child to point out the word **God** every time they see it printed in red.
- Encourage your child to find and count the hidden **scissors** throughout the story.
- As a family, work on memorizing Genesis 1:1 (ICB).



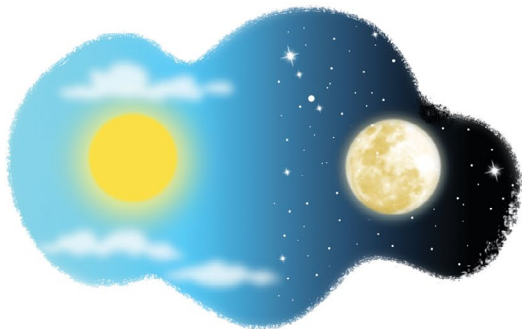


# God Created Everything





**God** created everything—





**plants that grow**  
**and birds that sing;**







lights to **shine up**  
in the **sky;**



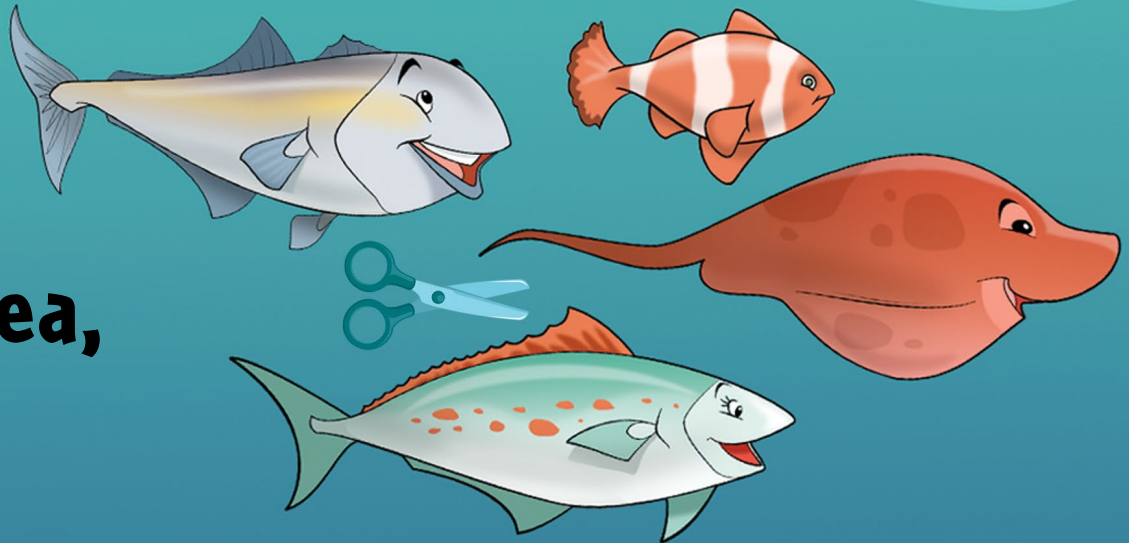


**things that stay wet  
and things that  
are dry.**



# **God** made creatures for the land

**and sea,**



# God's favorite creation

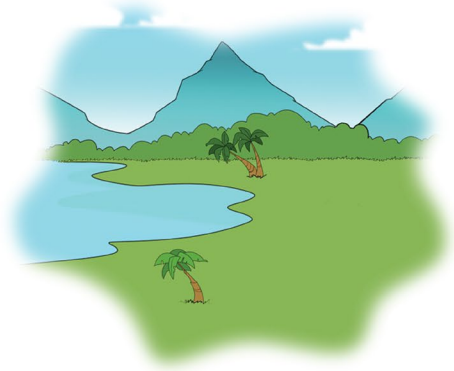


is **you** and **me**!



# In the beginning **God** created the **sky** and the **earth**.

Genesis 1:1 (ICB)



## Week 1: January 6-12, 2024

Study Text: Genesis 1:1-8 (ICB)

### TALK



This month your child will learn God is the creator of everything. Use any piece of your child's artwork as a launching point for discussion. Ask them about their artwork, the different colors they chose, etc. Transition into a conversation about God's creation of the world and how everything was carefully and thoughtfully created in a specific order. Be intentional about pointing out God's creation and use these moments to remind your child that **God Created Everything**.

### PLAY



Use Play-Doh or building blocks to create something with your family. Encourage them to use their imaginations. Compliment your child on whatever they create. Explain what "create" means. Tell them that **God Created Everything** we see, and God didn't have to use Play-Doh or building blocks to make it. Being creative is fun. Thank God for letting you create things too.

## Week 2: January 13-19, 2024

Study Text: Genesis 1:9-19 (ICB)

### PRACTICE



God made every plant, including the plants we eat. Allow your child to watch a plant grow by helping them to wrap two lima beans in a damp paper towel. Place the paper towel in a plastic bag and move the bag to a sunny place. Explain to your child that with water and sunlight, these lima beans will grow into a small plant. Check on your beans every day, and keep the paper towel damp. Keep your child from being discouraged when no initial growth is noticed. Remind them that it takes time!

### TALK



Remind your child that the sun they see in the sky is the very same sun God made on the fourth day. Explain that the sun rises in the east and sets in the west every day. Remind your child this moon is the very same one God created on that fourth day. Read a book about the different phases of the moon. Ask your child simple questions to review God's creations. **Who made the sun? Who made the moon? Who made the stars?** Talk about how everything God created was good.



### Week 3: January 20-26, 2024

Study Text: Genesis 1:20-23 (ICB)

#### EXPLORE



If you live near an aquarium, take a field trip and explore all the different fish God created. Look at all the different sizes, shapes, and colors of the fish. Also, take a walk outside to see how many different kinds of birds you can see. Listen to the different sounds they make. An additional option is to go to your local library and look at some books that show the many varieties of fish and birds. Explore the sea life and birds that inhabit other areas of the world.

#### TALK



Talking doesn't have to be just sitting down in the living room or right before bedtime. Use every opportunity to talk to your child about God's creations. Talk about it as you are walking through your neighborhood. Point out the trees that will change colors in the fall or flower in the spring. Discuss the stars as you sit outside and talk about how God created each and every star in the sky. Use everyday moments to remind them **God Created Everything.**

### Week 4: Jan 27-Feb 2, 2024

Study Text: Genesis 1:1–2:3 (ICB)

#### PRACTICE



As Seventh-day Adventists, we know how important it is that God rested on the seventh day. We follow God's example by setting aside one day as a day of rest. After church, spend your afternoon in relaxation, enjoying God's creation. Remind your child how God takes care of us. Spend the day thanking God for everything He has done throughout the week. Make sure not to miss out on the blessing of the Sabbath day!

#### TALK



Ask your child what their favorite animal is. Then talk about the many animals we don't see very often. Share information with your child about where different animals live, how they find food, and how they protect themselves. Discuss similarities and differences between species of animals. Remind them that each animal is important because God made it. Pick a few animals you don't normally think about (like the axelotl or star-nosed mole) and thank God for them.



SING



## January Song

*Sing this song to the tune of "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"*

**God created the world, yes God did.  
God created the world, yes God did.  
God created the world, yes God did.  
God created everything.**

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