



# Life of Christ

## Who is God?

## Gen. 1 & John 1

### Younger Verse

God is love. 1 John 4:8

### Older Verse

God is love. 1 John 4:8

### Lesson Goals

To name a quality of God  
To begin to understand how much He loves us—He sent Jesus

### Welcome Time

Tell me something that you know about God. (Listen for answers—they will tell you a lot about the children's belief in God) Today we are going to learn some things about who God is.

### Bible Story

*Please note: This portion of the lesson is given to help in teaching the lesson. Please read through the story and read it in the Bible. Do **NOT** read from this piece of paper. Instead, make a note sheet and place it next to the story in the Bible.*

Turn to the very first book in the Bible. It is called Genesis. The word Genesis means beginning. It tells us what happened in the beginning of the world. John 1 also tells us about the beginning.

Genesis chapter 1, verse or sentence 1, says that God created the heavens and the earth. That means God was there. The Bible tells us that God made or created all the things on earth and in heaven. Many people wonder where God came from. That's a good question. The Bible tells us that He was present at the beginning of the world. Lots of people try to explain where He came from. Well, if you look at the Bible, all God tells us is that He is there. We have to trust Him and believe that what He says is true.

Many people think of God in different ways. One way is to think of Him as a best friend that helps out in time of need. God created us, just like it says in Genesis 1:27, so He cares about us and loves us so much.

God is definitely different from us. He can create something out of nothing. He also knows all things. God knows what you are thinking right now! Nothing is hidden from God. He knows it all.

He is also present everywhere. Whether you are in Arlington, TX or New York City, God is there too. That's how He can hear my prayers and your prayers at the same time—because He is everywhere.

God is also powerful. He made the heavens and the earth. No one else can do this. Look in Genesis 1. Can you name some powerful things God did? He created the world. He also made light and dark, water and land, plants and animals, and us! God is so amazing. There is no one else that can do this.

God is perfect and pure. He always does what is right. The best quality about God is that He is love. God made us and loves us more than anything else in the world. He wants us to spend time with Him and love Him too.

Well, there is a problem. We are not perfect like God. In fact we goof up lots of times. So, there is a wall between us and God. God loves us so much that He made a way for us to come to Him. He did this through His Son, Jesus. Jesus lived a perfect life. He took our place when He died on a cross. He took the punishment for all the wrong things we have done. Why did He do this? Jesus died so that we could be clean and pure before God. How? We become “clean” on the inside by believing in Jesus and asking Him to come into our lives. We tell Him we are sorry for all the wrong things we have done and ask Him to take over. Jesus comes into our lives and makes us new. We don’t want to do our old things anymore. We want to do what God wants us to do and we want to follow Him.

Would you like to follow Jesus? I’ll tell you how during our activity time.

Look at the activities. Choose the ones that will help your kids learn who God is and help them understand the lesson.

**Learning Activities**

Try saying the verse in Spanish. (The verse is also printed in Spanish for you.) It will be a fun way to help them learn the verse and learn another language.

**Memory Verse Activities**

**Prayer Time**

Explain that God wants us to talk to Him and be friends with Him. He can hear us if we are in school, at home, or anywhere we go. Remind the kids that God is everywhere. (Remember, this was part of our lesson today.)

**Snack Time/CleanUp**

Enjoy snacks together. Please let the kids help clean up. It teaches them the importance of being responsible and taking care of the church building.

Planning for Jan 13th  
Who is Jesus?  
Luke 2 and John 1

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## Preschool Lesson For Who is God?

This may be too technical for smaller children. Please share about God's creation, and His love for us. Spend time acting out some of the things created. Ask them what they think of God—you'll learn a lot about what they think and how you can help them learn.

We know that God is special and that He loves us. The Bible tells us that God made everything in the very beginning of the world. Can you name some things God made? Let's act them out! (act like a monkey, alligator, elephant, etc)

God also made us and loves us very much. When we pray, God hears us. In fact, He hears us wherever we are. We can never play Hide and Seek from God. He knows where we are all the time!

God also knows how we are feeling and what we are thinking. He knows when we are happy and when we are sad.

God also tells us that He loves us very much. Did you know that God loves you? He does!

Sing, "Jesus loves Me." and "God is so Good."

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Hands-On Activities  
For  
Who is God?

Make the God mobile.

Ask the kids to draw a picture of what they think God would look like if we could see Him.

Try the eSPECIALLY His Trick to show how God knows us and loves us.

Older kids may want to talk about where God came from etc. Show them other Scriptures about God to help them see how God wants us to trust Him and believe, even though we don't know everything.

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