



animals. Name some animals that God created.

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On day number 7 God rested. He looked at the earth and was proud of it. He had made a beautiful world.

In the New Testament John 1:1-2, the Bible says that Jesus was with God in the very beginning. He was right there helping make the world. Wow! Isn't it awesome to think that Jesus was there. Then when the time was right, He came to this world to live with us. He even died for us so that we can go to Heaven if we believe in Him. Can you believe that Jesus loves you THAT much! He does and wants to be your best friend too. Will you believe in Jesus and trust Him today?!

#### Learning Activities

Teachers—there is an exciting way to present this lesson using ice cream or cool whip. See the “Creation Concoction” sheet. It’s guaranteed to help your kids remember the story and have tons of fun too.

Also, be prepared to answer questions about where God came from. Help them understand that part of believing God is trusting Him and just believing what He said—that He was the beginning. Be ready for evolution questions too. Public schools leave God out of creation. Please explain that the Bible is true and tells us that **God** created all things!

#### Memory Verse Activities

Circle up and show the children the verse. As a ball or bean bag (or wad of paper) is thrown to a person, they must say the next word of the verse until it is complete (with the reference too).

#### Prayer Time

Pray for the new year and how we can do things to show that we believe in Jesus.

#### Snack Time/CleanUp

Make the “Creation Concoction” if you have time (there are varieties of snacks in the Mission that you can use).

Planning for January 13th  
Adam and Eve  
Genesis 2-3

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## Preschool Lesson For God created the World

Turn to the very first book in the Bible. It is called Genesis. The word Genesis means beginning. Today we are going to see what happened in the beginning of the world.

In the beginning God created the heavens up above and the earth. The earth was empty, so God made light (called day) and dark (called night). That was on the first day. (Hold up 1 finger)

On the second day God made the sky. (Hold up 2 fingers)

On day three, God created the land (or earth). He also made the seas and oceans. Then He said, "Let the earth grow plants, and trees, and fruit." God looked at the world and knew that it was good. (Hold up 3 fingers)

Next, God made 2 large lights in the sky. One during the day (Can you guess what it is?) The Sun! And He made one large light at night (the moon!). God also made stars to shine in the night sky. God looked at His creation on the fourth day and knew it was good. (Hold up 4 fingers)

On the fifth day God designed birds to fly above the earth. He also made sea creatures to swim in the sea. God saw what He made and He knew it was good. (Hold up 5 fingers)

On day six, What do you think God made? (See if they can guess) God made the animals. Name some animals that God created. (Hold up 6 fingers)

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On day number 7 God rested. He looked at the earth and was proud of it. He had made a beautiful world. (Hold up 7 fingers)

Make up a little song to a familiar tune. The words may be similar to "God made you and me, God made you and me, God made you and me, in the very beginning."

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Hands-On Activities  
For  
God Created the World

Make the yummy “Creation Concoction.”

Make a creation booklet to remember when God made everything.

Take a nature walk (if it is nice outside) and look at things God made. As you pray, thank God for these things.

Make thumbprints and share how God makes everyone’s thumbprints different; no two are the same. Now, using your thumbprint, make animals with the print being the body of the animal.

It’s the beginning of the new year. Share how many people try to do better at things, or try to quit bad habits. Talk about some things that God may want them to change or improve.

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