

# CREATION

- Bible Text:** Genesis 1–2
- Lesson Focus:** God has created us to reflect God’s image as we actively participate in creation today.
- Big Question:** What can I really do that makes a difference in caring for creation?
- Key Words:** CREATE/CREATION, CHAOS, ORDER, STEWARDSHIP

## BIBLE CONNECTION

- ] God created everything—including you!
- ] There are two versions of the creation story: Genesis 1:1—2:4 and Genesis 2:4-25.
- ] The first creation story tells us how God created everything and brought order to the chaos.
- ] The second creation story tells us how God relates to people.
- ] Both accounts of creation are religious, not scientific.
- ] Humans have a special place in creation (Genesis 2:15).
- ] Because God has made us special, we have some extra responsibilities.
- ] We are made in God’s image (Genesis 1:27) and are called to reflect that image in our relationships with others and with creation.
- ] We are called to be faithful to God and take care of all that God created (Genesis 1:28-30). We can demonstrate good stewardship of our resources.

## CARTOON CONNECTION

- ] What do “chocolate” and “candy” mean in reference to creation?
- ] Why is this cartoon called the “first” plan for earth?
- ] What happened to the first plan for the earth that changed it from the image of chocolate and candy?



## STUDENT BOOK CONNECTION

Here We Stand Student Book page 75: Five Most Common Images for God in the Bible

- ] Why can one God have so many different images and names?

Here We Stand Student Book page 56: The Top 10 Bible Miracles and What They Mean

- ] Build a case for suggesting that the first miracle, creation, is the most important miracle. Do you think other miracles are more important?
- ] Does God still use miracles today?

## LIFE CONNECTION

Adopt a piece of God’s creation around your yard, neighborhood, or church. In the space you can pick up litter, plant and water grass or flower seeds, build a bench for a peaceful place to rest, plant shrubs or trees, or hang a bird feeder to give food to birds year round.

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## HWS Bible Trivia

Circle the letter that best answers each question.

### ON THIS DAY . . .

- God created light and darkness on this day.
  - 1st
  - 2nd
  - 3rd
  - 4th
- God created humans on this day.
  - 3rd
  - 4th
  - 5th
  - 6th
- God took a break on this day.
  - 2nd
  - 3rd
  - 5th
  - 7th
- Dry land, trees, and plants appeared on this day.
  - 1st
  - 2nd
  - 3rd
  - 5th

### GENESIS 1 OR 2?

- Woman was made from man's rib in Genesis \_\_\_\_.
  - 1
  - 2
  - Both
  - Not in Genesis
- Light and darkness were created in Genesis \_\_\_\_.
  - 1
  - 2
  - Both
  - Not in Genesis
- The Garden of Eden is found in Genesis \_\_\_\_.
  - 1
  - 2
  - Both
  - Not in Genesis
- God gives the rivers a name in Genesis \_\_\_\_.
  - 1
  - 2
  - Both
  - Not in Genesis

### CREATION THOUGHTS

- How many versions of the creation story exist in Genesis?
  - 1
  - 2
  - 0
  - 3
- What is the theme of the first creation story?
  - God dominates
  - God creates everything
  - Big Bang
  - God relates to people
- What is the theme of the second creation story?
  - God dominates
  - God creates everything
  - Big Bang
  - God relates to people
- The creation stories are religious, not \_\_\_\_\_.
  - scientific
  - fun
  - lawful
  - entertaining

### GENESIS 1

- How did the earth begin?
  - As a formless void
  - As two stars colliding
  - With God and the angels making some blueprints
  - It never began—it just was.
- Which was not created on the 3rd day?
  - Dry land
  - Trees
  - Plants
  - Humans
- What was created on the 5th day?
  - Sea monsters
  - Fish
  - Birds
  - All of the above
  - None of the above
- What was created on the 7th day?
  - Animals
  - Humans
  - Sun and moon
  - Nothing

Answers: On this Day . . . 1. a 2. d 3. d 4. c Creation Thoughts 1. b 2. b 3. d 4. a Genesis 1 or 2? 1. b 2. a 3. b 4. b Genesis 1 1. a 2. d 3. e 4. d