

CAMP VENTURE 2024

VERSE of the WEEK: Ephesians 2:10 “For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.”

DAILY SCRIPTURE: Genesis 1:1 *“In the beginning, God created the heavens and earth.”*

DAILY BIG IDEA: God made everything

BIBLE STORY: The Creation Story | Genesis 1

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- Today’s story comes from the book of Genesis.
- Genesis is the very first book of the Bible.
- Genesis is found in the Old Testament.
- We’re actually starting with the very first verse of the Bible:

(Genesis 1:1) “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.”

- Our Big Idea for today is, God made everything!
- What did God make?
- Did He make the oceans? Yes!
- Did He make the mountains? Yes!
- Did He make the entire earth? YES!!
- Our God is so big that he created all those things, just by speaking! Wow!
- Let’s take a look at all the things God created in Genesis:

(Genesis 1:3) God said, “Let there be light.” And there was light. (4) God saw that the light was good. He separated the light from the darkness. 5 God called the light “day.” He called the darkness “night.” There was evening, and there was morning. It was day one.

- On day one God simply spoke and light appeared.
- Can you make light appear just by saying, “Let there be light”?
- No, but God can.
- Our God is BIG!

(Genesis 1:6-8) “God said, “Let there be a huge space between the waters. Let it separate water from water.” (7) And that’s exactly what happened. God made the huge space between the waters. He separated the water under the space from the water above it. (8) God called the huge space “sky.” There was evening, and there was morning. It was day two.”

- On day two God simply spoke and the sky and was created.
- Can you make sky appear just with your words?
- No, but God can.
- Our God is BIG!

(Genesis 1:9-10) God said, “Let the water under the sky be gathered into one place. Let dry ground appear.” And that’s exactly what happened. (10) God called the dry ground “land.” He called all the water that was gathered together “seas.” And God saw that it was good.

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- On day three God simply spoke and land was created.
- Now there were mountains, waterfalls, fruits, vegetables, flowers and more!
- Can you grow a plant just by telling it to grow?
- No, but God can.
- Our God is BIG!

(Genesis 1:16-17) “God made two great lights. He made the larger light to rule over the day and the smaller light to rule over the night. He also made the stars. (17) God put the lights in the huge space of the sky to give light on the earth.”

- On day four God simply spoke and the sun, moon and stars were created!
- He created these lights to light up the beautiful world He created.
- Can you speak and make stars?
- No, but God can.
- Our God is BIG!

(Genesis 1:20) “God said, “Let the seas be filled with living things. Let birds fly above the earth across the huge space of the sky.”

- On day five God simply spoke and animals of all kinds were created.
- He created all the animals we have on earth today.
- In the sea there are dolphins, jellyfish and starfish and so much more.
- Our God is so BIG that He created little red birds, eagles and pelicans.
- And guess what? God saw that it was good!
- Think of all the animals that live on the ground: worms, frogs, cats, dogs, horses and more!
- God is amazing because every single kind of animal was His idea and His creation.
- Could you say a word and make animals?
- No, but God can.
- Our God is BIG!

(Genesis 1:27) “So God created human beings in his own likeness. He created them to be like himself. He created them as male and female.”

- Finally on day six God simply spoke and He created humans.
- He created every single one of us.
- One thing that is really awesome about God, He loves us so much and He wants a relationship with you and me!
- We serve a God that created everything!

BIBLE STORY RECAP QUESTIONS

1. What book of the Bible did our story come from? What is special about this book of The Bible?
 - Genesis. It is the first book of The Bible.
2. What is the first verse of the Bible?
 - Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth."
3. What did God create each day of creation?
 - On day one God created Light.
 - On day two God created the sky.
 - On day three, God created the land and sea.
 - On day four, God created the sun, moon and stars.
 - On day five, God created all the animals.
 - On day six, God created humans!

PRAYER

Dear Lord - We are so grateful that You made everything! All that we see and experience is because You created it and said it should be. Please help us to slow down and be thankful for the things around us like trees, flowers, birds, the sun, our family, days, and nights.

In Jesus' Name we pray - AMEN