LISTEN FAMILY DEVOTIONS SAMPLE LESSON

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Faith Fact
God is my Creator.

Faith Verse
Psalm 119:11 (NLT)
I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.

Question of the Day: Who is God?

Read about It
Read: Genesis 1:1–2; Luke 18:27; 1 Timothy 1:17; 1 John 4:8

You have probably heard of Someone named “God.” But who is He? What is He like? How do we learn about Him? How do we get to know Him?

The best way to discover more about God and what He’s like is to study His Word, the Bible. Reading the Bible teaches us about God. We get to learn who He is and what’s important to Him. We can even learn how to connect with Him from people in the Bible who knew Him well. Reading the Bible helps us get a picture of God’s personality. The more we understand God, the more we can be like Him!

Studying God’s Word is a lot of fun! There are many great stories of brave heroes, talented artists, and even love. Let’s dive into God’s Word and learn about God!
Think about It

**QUESTION 1**

How long has God been around?

**ANSWER 1**

God was here before creation. In fact, He's always existed. (Genesis 1:1)

**QUESTION 2**

Who is God?

**ANSWER 2**

God is the Creator. (Genesis 1:1)

**QUESTION 3**

What does 1 Timothy 1:17 tell us about God?

**ANSWER 3**

He deserves glory and honor. He is the King. He never dies. He is the only, true God. (1 Timothy 1:17)

**QUESTION 4**

What is God like?

**ANSWER 4**

God is love. (1 John 4:8)

**QUESTION 5**

Is God like a superhero?

**ANSWER 5**

God is better than a superhero because He can do the impossible. (Luke 18:27)
Talk about It

- What did today’s devotion make you think about?
- What do you think God is like?
- What is the most amazing thing that God created?
- How would you answer the Question of the Day at the beginning of this devotion?

Pray about It

God, thank You for showing us who You are. Thank You for giving us the Bible, so we can learn about You. Thank You for creating us, so we can love You. Help us to see who You are, and how we can be more like You. Amen.

Day 2

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Question of the Day: Who created the world?

Read about It

Read: Genesis 1:1–5

Do you ever look around at our beautiful world and think, Where did it all come from? Or have you ever seen a weird animal like an aardvark or a platypus and thought, Who made them? Or do you wonder why all those tiny bugs are here? The answer to all of those questions is God! He is the ultimate Creator. God created everything!

That may get you thinking of the next question: How did God create everything? We find the answer to these questions in the very first chapter of the very first book of the Bible. Genesis 1 tells us that God has always been here. He was here before people, before animals, before everything! Looking at how God took time
to create the world shows us that God has a plan. He made most of the world by speaking, but He made people by hand! People play a special role in God’s creation! Let’s take a closer look at Genesis 1 and see how to answer the following questions.

**Think about It**

**QUESTION 1**
Where did the universe come from?

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

**QUESTION 2**
What was the earth like before God began creating?

**ANSWER 2**
It was formless, empty, and filled with darkness. (Genesis 1:2)

**QUESTION 3**
How did God make the world?

**ANSWER 3**
He spoke, and the earth was created. (Genesis 1:3) (Optional: Read Genesis 1:6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24)

**QUESTION 4**
What was the first thing God created?

**ANSWER 4**
Light (Genesis 1:3)

**QUESTION 5**
What part did the Holy Spirit have in creation?

**ANSWER 5**
The Spirit of God was hovering over the waters. (Genesis 1:2)

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Talk About It

- What did today's devotion make you think about?
- Why do you think God made everything the way He did?
- Look around. What is something you see that God created?
- How would you answer the Question of the Day?

Pray About It

God, You are our Creator. Thank You for creating us in a special way. I want to always remember that You have made each one of us special. Help us to reflect You, so that others will see You when they look at us. Amen.

Day 3

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Faith Verse

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Question of the Day: How did God create the Earth?

Read about It

Read: Genesis 1:6–25

Making things takes time. If you're making a cake or building something, there are normally some instructions to follow. There are steps that you have to take in a certain order. The only person that knows how to do it without the instructions is the one who created it.

As we look at the way God created the Earth, He was like a master chef or a professional builder. He took His time and paid attention to every detail.

Can you imagine if God would have made things out of order? What would have happened if He made fish before the ocean or monkeys before trees? Things would have gotten very crazy if He created birds before He
separated the sky from the land. God took His time to make sure that everything was done in the perfect order. He created light before there was night. He separated the land from the sea and the sky. He created land and trees. God didn’t overlook anything. He didn’t need instructions because He is the master Creator. Let’s take a closer look at exactly how God did all this and see if we can answer these questions.

**Think about It**

**QUESTION 1**

What did God do on the third day?

**ANSWER 1**

He created dry land and separated it from the sea. He created trees and plants. (Genesis 1:9–12)

**QUESTION 2**

What did God create to mark off the seasons, days, and years?

**ANSWER 2**

The sun, stars, and moon (Genesis 1:14–17)

**QUESTION 3**

On which day did God make the birds and fish?

**ANSWER 3**

Day 5 (Genesis 1:20–23)

**QUESTION 4**

What did God create on the sixth day?

**ANSWER 4**

Animals (Genesis 1:24–25)

**QUESTION 5**

What did God think about His creation?
He saw that it was good. (Genesis 1:10, 12, 18, 21, 25)

**Talk about It**

- How can you see that God paid attention to every detail when He was creating the Earth?
- What do you think that tells us about how God cares for not just the Earth, but for people too?
- What are some ways that we can worship God by paying attention to what we are doing?
- How would you answer the Question of the Day?

**Pray about It**

God, You do everything perfectly. You don't make mistakes. You do everything on time. That means You made each one of us on purpose, and You paid special attention to every part of our lives. Help us to live in a way that brings You glory and honor. Amen.

**Day 4**

**Faith Fact**

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**Question of the Day:** How did God make people special?

**Read about It**

**Read:** Genesis 1:26–31; 2:7–9, 18–22

What if you had an unlimited supply of blocks or play dough? You could make anything! What would you make? A toy? A city with giant skyscrapers? A science lab where you can create the greatest invention ever made? Maybe your very own superhero with an awesome hideout? Or a princess with the most impressive castle? Imagine all the cool things you could make. The only limit to your options is your creativity!

Now, think about this: God has an unlimited supply of everything. He is the Creator of the entire universe and everything in it. But Genesis 1:26–28 tells us that even though God created many things, He wanted one more, special creation. Do you know what it is? People!
God did something very special when He created people. With the same breath that God used to speak and create the universe, He breathed life into the first man. I don’t know about you, but when I blow into things they don’t come to life! Some things might make noise like a kazoo or get bigger like a balloon, but they don’t start living. God is so powerful! He used so much creativity when He created people! Let’s dive back into Genesis and answer these questions.

Think about It

*QUESTION 1

How are people different from animals?

ANSWER 1

God created people in His own image. (Genesis 1:27)

*QUESTION 2

How were people created in the image of God?

ANSWER 2

People were created with spiritual natures which permit them to reason, make choices, and to know and love God. (Genesis 1:27)

*QUESTION 3

How did God create man?

ANSWER 3

He formed man from the dust of the earth and breathed the breath of life into him. (Genesis 2:7)

*QUESTION 4

How did God create woman?

ANSWER 4

God made woman out of one of Adam’s ribs. (Genesis 2:21–22)
QUESTION 5
What did God put people in charge of?

ANSWER 5
“the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground.” (Genesis 1:26)

QUESTION 6
How did God feel after He created people on the sixth day of creation?

ANSWER 6
“God looked over all he had made, and he saw that it was very good!” (Genesis 1:31)

Talk about It

- What was the most exciting thing you learned in today’s devotion?
- Why do you think God used a different way to make people?
- God made us like Him, and He is creative. What is one way that God has made you creative?
- How would you answer the Question of the Day?

Pray about It

God, You are so creative and powerful. You made us so special. You gave us the ability to make choices. Thank You for loving us and giving us the choice to love You back. As we go through the day, help us to find ways that we can be creative just like You. Amen.

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