

## Book Introduction

(Take a nature walk and talk about the living things you see.) All living things were made by God to bring honor to him and to show that he is wise and loving. The way your own body works and the things you are able to do show how smart God is. The fact that there is air for us to breathe and food for all of us to eat shows that God loves us and takes care of us. Since God made the world and the things in it, they all belong to him and because he made you, you belong to him.

## Discussion Questions

Day 1: How is God different from us? Why is God different from us?

Day 2: How do we know God is real? What would exist if there were no God? Why?

Day 3: How is God different from his creation? What does it mean that God is eternal?

Day 4: Where do we learn more about God? What does omnipotent mean? What does it mean to be holy? What can we trust about God because he is holy?

Day 5: What should the beauty of the earth remind us of?

Day 6: What does God want to show us? How do we feel his love? How should we respond to God?

## Discovery Activity

Mix different types of cereals together in a bowl. Pour some on a napkin for each child. Have the children sort the cereal according to types.

Discussion: Why are you able to sort the cereal? Why can't animals do that? Is God smarter than you? How do you know that? What can God do that you are unable to do?

## Lesson Rhyme

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|---------------|--|
| C—C           | Make sign of "C"                       |
| Creation      | One fist on top of other like building |
| The beauty of | Move open hand in circle over face,    |
|               | then close hand                        |
| the earth     | Arms in circle over head               |
| C—C—Creation  | Same as above                          |
| To all things | Point index finger out & around        |
| God           | Arms up in air, look up                |
| gave birth    | Arms like rocking baby                 |

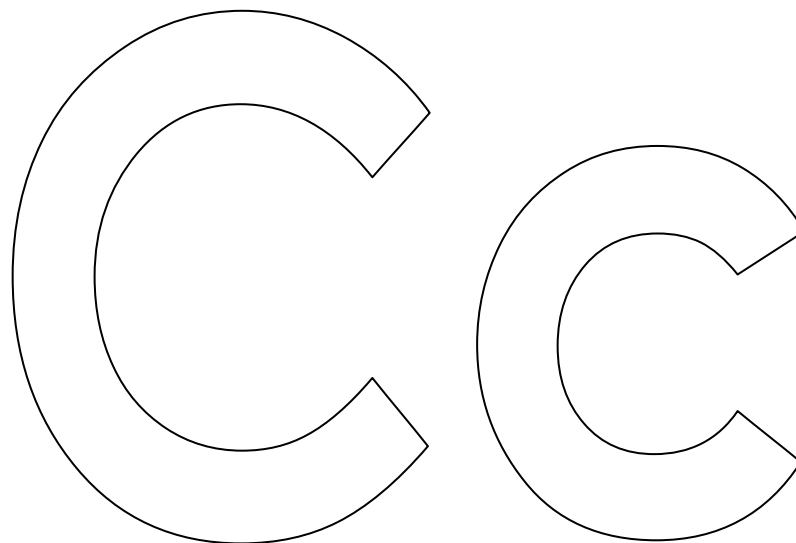


# In the Beginning 2

# What does

# creation show

# about God?



C—C—Creation

The beauty of the earth

C—C—Creation

To all things God gave birth

## Day 1

God is very different,  
he is not like us at all.  
While he is great and mighty,  
we are very small.  
God doesn't have a body,  
he's a spirit everywhere,  
So we cannot see his face  
like we cannot see the air.

*Draw a picture of clouds in the air.*

John 4:24: God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth.

## Day 6

God wants us to come to him  
to show his love to us  
And we can feel his love  
if in him we do trust.  
And so we kneel before God  
and to him humbly pray  
Thanking him for all he's done,  
each and every day.

*Draw a picture of you praying.*

Psalms 89:1-2: <sup>1</sup> I will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. <sup>2</sup> I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

## Day 5

Omnipotent means that God  
has all power and all might  
And because our God is holy  
he only does what's right.  
So when you look around  
at the beauty of the earth  
Remember through God's power  
everything was given birth.

*Draw a picture of beautiful landscape.*

## Day 2

But we know that God is real,  
he created you and me.  
He made the things around us,  
everything that we can see.  
Beautiful describes the life  
God put upon the earth.  
We all are his and through him,  
everything was given birth.

*Draw a picture of you in a pretty place.*

Psalm 19:1-2: <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. <sup>2</sup> Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge.

Romans 1:20: For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.

## Day 3

God is not like his creation,  
he will never die.  
When we say that he's eternal,  
that is not a lie.  
Eternal means God wasn't born,  
had no beginning, has no end.  
Isn't it amazing that God  
wants to be our friend?

*Draw a picture of the stars in the sky.*

## Day 4

In the Bible we learn more  
of God's unending love.  
And how he keeps earth in his hands,  
watching from above.  
Our God is full of goodness  
he's the great eternal one.  
All that he has made show  
the wonders he has done.

*Draw a picture of the earth in God's hands.*

Isaiah 40:26: <sup>26</sup> Lift your eyes and look to the heavens:  
Who created all these? He who brings out the starry host  
one by one, and calls them each by name. Because of his  
great power and mighty strength, not one of them is miss-  
ing.

Isaiah 40:28: Do you not know? Have you not heard? The  
LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the  
earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding  
no one can fathom.