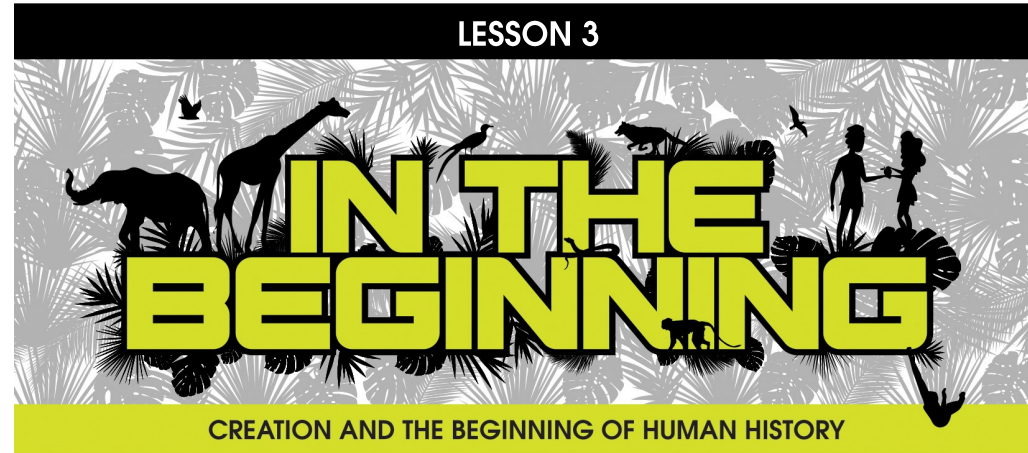


Child's Name: _____

Lesson Passage—Genesis 1:1-2

¹ In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.



THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

Where did created things come from?

MEMORY VERSE

Colossians 1:16b-17

*(all things were created by him and for him.
¹⁷He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.)*

Through God's word we discover what is right and true.
Then we live it out in all we say and do.



Thinking It Through

Level 3—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Depending on the age and ability of the child, or parent preference, the child may do the work in this journal independently or read with and dictate an answer to the parent. After reading the day’s rhyme and the Bible verse, the child should draw a picture that relates to that day’s reading and answer the question at the bottom of the page. Have the child answer questions about the day’s reading from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Personal ideas and additional questions from the parent can also be included.
- **Lesson Verse:** The lesson verse which answers the week’s big question should be practiced daily. One way to do this is to black out words in the verse each day and say the verse inserting the correct word. By the end of the week the whole verse would be blacked out and recited by memory. Depending on the age and/or ability of the child, either the whole verse or the part of the verse between brackets on the cover can be memorized.
- **Concluding Lesson:** The parent should discuss with the child the **Thinking it Through** questions: What important truth did you learn this week? How can you apply that truth in your life? After discussing the questions the child should write down (or dictate to the parent) the answers and a prayer at the end of the booklet. The child can then complete the other activities.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day’s work completed and the lesson verse memorized, the student will receive acknowledgement of a job well done.
- **Way to go, parents!** Your faithfulness in teaching your children the deed and statutes of the Lord isn’t always easy, but it honors God and will have an eternal impact. Keep up the good work! Remember Galatians 6:9, *Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.*

The important truth I learned this week is:

I can apply that truth by:

My prayer to God is:

Daily Reading Questions

- Day 1: How is God different from man? What does it mean to be all powerful? What does it mean God is spirit? How do we know God is real?
- Day 2: What was God able to do because he is all powerful? How does God always act? Why?
- Day 3: What does it mean that God is infinite? What does God do for his creation? What does it mean that God is the one and only? What does it mean that God lives eternally?
- Day 4: How does God know what we are thinking? If God knows our thoughts what should we think about? Why? What does God know about us? What should that cause us to do? Why?
- Day 5: What does Jesus want for us? How Jesus like a shepherd?
- Day 6: Where does God want to reign as king? What does that mean? What should be our response to God?

Concluding Lesson

- Review: How is God different from man? What does it mean to be all powerful? What does it mean God is spirit? How do we know God is real?
- Prayer: Thank God that he is God, all knowing, all powerful, all seeing and present everywhere. Pray that you would want to honor him as God in the things you think about do and say.
- Thinking It Through: Have the child write or dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson, how he/she can apply that truth, and a prayer to God.
- Application: Think about whether the things you are doing and saying this day are bringing honor to God.

#3

Where did created things come from?



Jesus created all things and holds them together.

Day 1

Draw a picture of the earth.

God is not like man,
 he's a very different being:
Infinite, all powerful,
 all knowing and all seeing.
Because he is a spirit,
 his face we cannot see,
But we know that he is real
 by all he brought to be.

What does the verse mean?

Isaiah 40:25: "To whom will you compare me? Or who is my equal?" says the Holy One.

Day 6

Draw a picture of a heart.

Over every heart,
 God wants to reign as king.
We should bow before him,
 great honor we should bring.
We should want to please him
 in everything we do,
Because our God is holy,
 perfect, right and true.

What does the verse mean?

Psalms 89:14-15: ¹⁴ Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you. ¹⁵ Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, O LORD.

Day 5

Draw a picture of you in Jesus' arms.

He 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 like a loving shepherd,
he wraps us in his arm.
And if we stay close to him,
he will keep us out of harm.

What does the verse mean?

John 10:11: I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

Day 2

Draw a picture of the moon and stars.

Because he is all powerful,
there's nothing God can't do.
But he only acts in ways
that are holy, right and true.
In his mind God thought about
the things that there should be.
And then he spoke into existence
everything we see.

What does the verse mean?

Jeremiah 51:15: He made the earth by his power; he founded the world by his wisdom and stretched out the heavens by his understanding.

Day 3

Draw a picture of a nature scene.

Infinite means that God
Is always everywhere.
Over all creation,
he watches with great care.
Before all things he was,
when they are gone he'll be.
God is the one and only
and lives eternally.

What does the verse mean?

Psalm 33:13-15: ¹³ From heaven the LORD looks down and sees all mankind; ¹⁴ from his dwelling place he watches all who live on earth— ¹⁵ he who forms the hearts of all, who considers everything they do.

Day 4

Draw a picture of yourself.

There is nothing hidden from him.
He knows our every thought.
And it makes him very happy
when we think the things we ought.
On top of that he knows
how many hairs are on our head.
He remembers everything we do
and everything we've said.

What does the verse mean?

Matthew 10:30; 12:36:

³⁰ And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered.
³⁶ But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken.