# Early Childhood — Level 2



# #16 - Created In The Image Of God Genesis 1:26-27

## **PICTURES NEEDED**

16-1 Adam and Eve

#### **REVIEW**

• Big Question: What can we know about dinosaurs from the Bible?

God made dinosaurs along with people.

• **Lesson Rhyme**: Review the lesson rhyme.

D—D Make sign of "D"

Dinosaurs Move "D" across front of body like large dinosaur

Once roamed Move "D" like going down a road

throughout the land

D—D—Dinosaurs Same as above

Were made Fists on top of one another, twist opposite

by God's command Lift arms up in air and look up



#### **LESSON CONTENT**

• Introduction: Show visual (picture 16-1)

#### What is this a picture of?

This is a picture of Adam and Eve. Adam and Eve were created in God's image to reflect God. That means they were given a mind, will and feelings. All girls and boys have been created in God's image and have a mind, will and feelings. Having a mind means we can learn and think. Having feelings means we can love and care about God, people and other things. Having a will means we can choose to do right or choose to do wrong. When we think, feel and do what is good and right we reflect God's image.

I have a mind so I can think and learn about what's true. (Point to head.)
I have a heart and I can feel God's goodness flowing through.(Hand over heart)
I have a will to tell my hands what's right for them to do. (Thumbs up sign)
In loving Christ I use them all to reflect God back to you. (Hands over heart. Move hands out palms up.)

The big question for this week is: How are we to reflect God's image? Listen as I read the lesson book and see if you can answer the question afterwards.

• Lesson Book: Read the book. Refer to the discussion questions.

Title: Who is man?

Page 1—Genesis 1:26
(picture of a boy and girl)
Boys and girls are people;
God refers to them as man.
And each and every one of them
fits into God's good plan.
Created in God's image,
the height of God's creation,
The purpose of man's life
is to give God adoration.

Page 3—Colossians 3:1-2
(picture of a person thinking)
God gave to man a mind
so he could think and learn
Then he could be quite smart
and for God's truth would yearn.
God gave to man a heart
so with it he could love
Then man could be devoted
to the Father up above.

Page 2—Genesis 1:27
(picture of Adam and Eve)
When God created man,
there were only two.
So from Adam and from Eve
are descended me and you.
At the very start,
man was completely whole.
With a body, mind and heart,
besides a will and soul.

Page 4—Deuteronomy 10:12-13
(picture of Girl with a heart for God)
God gave to man a will
so he could choose God's way.
And in choosing what is right
on God's path he would stay.
When God breathed life in Adam,
he gave to man a soul.
Wanting man to dwell with him
and be forever whole.

Page 5—Isaiah 43:6b-7
(picture of a boy heart, mind, will, and soul)
Created in God's image
the height of God's creation,
The purpose of man's life
is to give God adoration.
There is no other animal
like man completely whole
Cause only man was given:
a mind, heart, will and soul.

Page 6—Mark 12:29b-30
(picture of a girl heart, mind, will, and soul)
To follow after God,
you must give to him your heart.
Then with your mind you read God's word till you become quite smart.
With your will you must choose to follow God each day.
Devote your soul to God so with him you will stay.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

<u>Page 1:</u> Who is man? Who was man created in the image of? What is the reason God created man?

<u>Page 2:</u> What two people did God create first? What did God give to man that made him a whole being?fossils?

Page 3: Why did God give man a mind? Why did God give man a heart?

Page 4: Why did God give man a will? Why did God give man a soul?

Page 5: How is man different from all other animals?

<u>Page 6:</u> What should you do with your heart? What should you do with your mind? What should you do with your will? What should you do with your soul?

Review: Select a couple questions from above to ask the students again.

<u>Prayer:</u> Thank God that he made you to have a relationship with him. Pray that your heart would love God fully. Pray that your mind would be filled with God's truth. Pray that with your will you would choose to do what's right. Thank God that he gave you a soul so you could be completely whole and have an eternal relationship with him.

<u>The Big Question:</u> How are we to reflect God's image? We are to walk in God's ways and serve him.

Any age appropriate activity can be included which fits into the club time. The activities with a star are included on the class notes handout sheet.

★ Lesson Rhyme: Practice the lesson rhyme with movements.

M—M Sign of M

Man 1st 2 fingers of right hand, walking on left

Mind, Point to head

heart, Make heart over heart

will One thumb up, other thumb down

and soul Connect index fingers and thumbs to make chain

(rather like infinity symbol, soul connects us to God)

M—M—Man same as above By God Lift arms in air

created whole arms at side palms facing forward

**★** Activity: Drawing

Draw your face on the head. Draw a heart on the chest and thumbs on the hands.

★ Coloring: Color the lesson picture

★ Letter/Sound Recognition: Say the sound of and trace over each letter in the boxes. With which sound does man begin?

<u>Lesson Poem</u> - Created in the Image of God

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• Craft: In the Image of God Mirror

As a reminder that man was created in the image of God and that you are to reflect God's character, make a mirror.

Materials: card stock paper, heavy-duty aluminum foil or mirror craft paper, tape, scissors Preparation: Run off craft 16 on cardstock paper.

Instructions:

- 1. Cut out the center of the rectangle to make a frame for the mirror. Insert the point of the scissors where the lines cross. Cut along diagonal lines then cut along the inside edges of the frame.
- 2. Decorate and color the letters on the frame.
- 3. Tape a piece of heavy duty foil behind the hole to make the mirror. Fold the paper in half so the poem is on the back.

#### ★ Song: Oh Be Careful!

Oh, be careful little eyes what you see,

Oh, be careful little eyes what you see,

For the Father up above is looking down with love.

Oh, be careful little eyes what you see.

Other verses

Oh, be careful little ears what you hear

Oh, be careful little mouths what you say

Oh, be careful little hands what you do

Oh, be careful little feet where you go

Oh, be careful little minds what you think

## **JOURNAL**

The journal is passed out at the end of class for the students to complete at home. It has six poetic readings and related Bible verses. It would be beneficial for the teacher to read through and be familiar with its content.