

Child's Name: _____

Lesson Passage—Genesis 1:28

28 God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

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



LESSON 17



THIS WEEK'S BIG QUESTION

What responsibility has God given to man?

LESSON RHYME

R—R—Rule
Treat earth with great respect
R—R—Rule
In the way God does expect

Level 2—Parent Notes:

- **Daily Reading:** Read the entire booklet to the child. Go back to the appropriate day, reread the content and have the child answer questions about it from the **Daily Reading Questions** at the back of the booklet. Include personal ideas and additional questions. Read and discuss the daily Bible verse if appropriate for the child. Have the child draw a picture related to the content.
- **Lesson Rhyme:** Read the **Lesson Rhyme** on the next page, saying the sound of the letter instead of its name. Point to each word as you read it. Discuss the meaning of the rhyme. Have the child trace the letter with a finger and say its sound. Practice with the child the signs that go along with the **Lesson Rhyme** (included below). Review and repeat the rhyme every day.
- **Concluding Lesson:** Complete the activities under **Concluding Lesson** at the back of the book.
- **Completion:** If the student brings this booklet back to the teacher on Sunday, with each day's work completed and the lesson rhyme 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.*

This week I learned

Lesson Rhyme Signs

R—R	Make sign of "R"
Rule	Pound R fist on L palm
Treat earth with great respect	Make sign of "R" with both hands, Move down and out in front
R—R—Rule	Same as above.
In the way God	Lift arms up in air above head, leave there
does expect	Palms towards body move fingers down and up



Daily Reading Questions

Day 1: What did God want Adam and Eve to do? What does entrust mean?

Day 2: What are we accountable to God for? What does that mean we should do?

Day 3: What does it mean to steward the earth?

Day 4: What makes God glad? What does it mean to indulge ourselves? What is greed?

Day 5: How are we to treat living things? What does that mean we do?

Day 6: What should we thank God for? What does it mean that God made creation good? What does that mean we should do?

Concluding Lesson

Review: What does it mean to steward the earth? How are we to treat living things?

Prayer: Thank God for the goodness of his creation and all that he has made and done. Thank him for giving man the responsibility to rule over the earth. Pray that you would treat his creation with respect and care.

Application: Think about things you as a family can do to take better care of God's creation.

Dictation: Have the child dictate what important truth was learned from the lesson. Have the child repeat back the dictation, trace over the letters and draw a picture to go with it.

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How is man to rule the earth?



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R—R—Rule

In the way God does expect

Day 1

Draw a picture of Adam and Eve with children.

When God created Adam,
he gave Eve as his wife.
He told them both to marry
and fill the earth with life.
The earth God had created
he entrusted it to man.
Wanting man to rule it
in the best way that he can.

Genesis 1:28: ²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

Day 6

Draw a picture of you walking in nature.

We appreciate the greatness
of God and all he's done,
Thanking him for making
the earth, the stars, and sun.
When we look at God's creation,
we see God made it good.
So we try to take good care of it
in the way we should.

Psalms 106:2-3: ² Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the LORD or fully declare his praise? ³ Blessed are they who maintain justice, who constantly do what is right.

Day 5

Draw a picture of you feeding a dog.

The earth and every living thing
we treat with due respect,
Because taking care of planet earth
is what God does expect.
Living things need air and water
so they can grow and thrive
So we take care of the earth
and what things need to stay alive.

Day 2

Draw a picture of the earth and created things.

To God we are accountable
for everything we do.
So we want to know and follow
what is good and true.
Under man's authority,
God put every thing.
So we should treat earth well
and to God great glory bring.

Psalm 8:6-8: ⁶ You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet: ⁷ all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field, ⁸ the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

Psalm 115:16: ¹⁶ The highest heavens belong to the LORD, but the earth he has given to man.

Day 3 Draw a picture of children planting a tree.

That means we steward earth
and all it does contain.
We understand that hurting earth,
causes God real pain.
Steward means take care of
and use all things with care.
Not wasting precious resources
that God gave us to share.

Day 4 Draw a picture of you shopping at a store.

We want to rule earth wisely,
so God will be quite glad.
So we don't indulge ourselves
or follow every fad.
We are mindful of our attitude;
we're not filled with greed.
We're careful that we only buy
the things we really need.

Psalm 103:17-18: ¹⁷ But from everlasting to everlasting the LORD's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children— ¹⁸ with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts.

Ecclesiastes 5:11-12: ¹¹ As goods increase, so do those who consume them. And what benefit are they to the owner except to feast his eyes on them? ¹² The sleep of a laborer is sweet, whether he eats little or much, but the abundance of a rich man permits him no sleep.