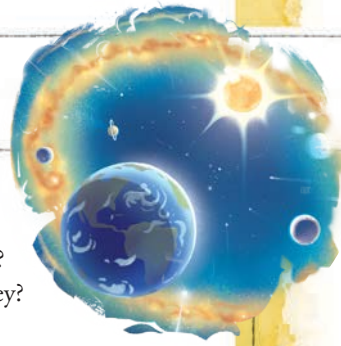


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FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Describe what part of the creation story is surprising to you.
- Why did God create everything?
- Talk about a time you saw goodness in creation. How did you react or respond?

God Created the World

Genesis 1

STORY POINT: GOD CREATED EVERYTHING, AND EVERYTHING HE CREATED WAS GOOD.

In the beginning, nothing existed except for God. God created the heavens and the earth. God spoke: "Let there be light!" What God said happened. God saw that the light was good. Evening came, and then morning came. That was the first day.

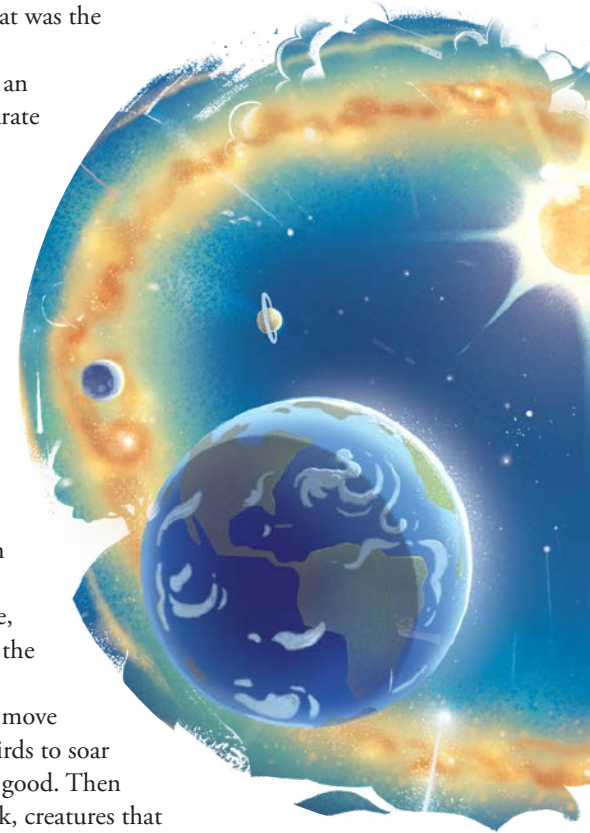
God spoke again: "Let there be an expanse between the waters to separate them." What God said happened.

God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear." What God said happened. God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let the earth make plants and trees with fruits and seeds." What God said happened, and God saw that it was good.

Next, God placed lights in the sky. God created the sun to shine during the day and the moon and stars to shine at night. God saw that it was good. Evening came, and then morning came. That was the fourth day.

Next, God made creatures that move and swim in the water. He made birds to soar across the sky. God saw that it was good. Then God made more animals—livestock, creatures that crawl, and wildlife—to live on the earth. When God said it, it happened. And God saw that all of it was good.

Christ Connection: Jesus is Lord over all of creation. The Son has always existed. The Bible says everything was created by Him and for Him, and He holds everything together. All of creation exists to bring God glory.



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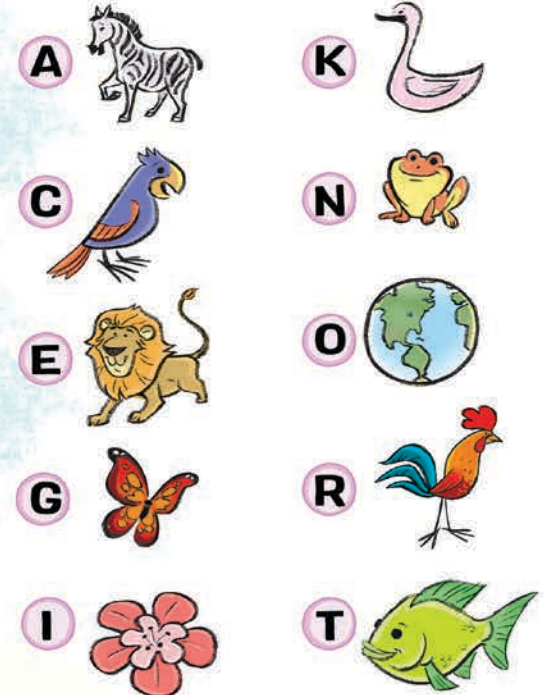
Who Is God?

Use the key to decode the missing words.

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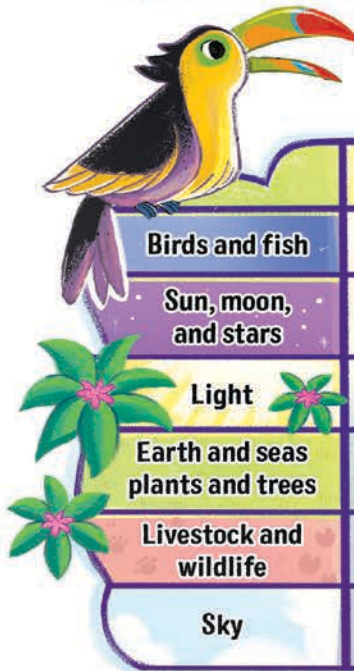


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Days of Creation

Use the clues to figure out what God made on each day of creation. Review Genesis 1:1-26 to check your answers.



	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
Birds and fish						
Sun, moon, and stars						
Light						
Earth and seas plants and trees						
Livestock and wildlife						
Sky						



Clues

1. God made light and the earth, seas, plants, and trees on odd-numbered days.
2. God did not make animals until Day 5.
3. God made light before He made the sky and sun, moon, and stars.
4. God made birds before He made cows.
5. God made the sky on Day 2.

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FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- What does it mean that we are made in the image of God?
- How are people like God? How are we different?
- How should we treat people, knowing that everyone is made in God's image?

God Created People

Genesis 1-2

STORY POINT: GOD CREATED PEOPLE IN HIS OWN IMAGE, AND HE LOVES US.

On the sixth day of creation, God made people. God said, "Let us make man in our image. They will rule over the whole earth and all the creatures on the earth." God took dust from the ground and made a body. God breathed into the man, and the man became alive. God planted a garden in the land of Eden and put the man there. God told the man to work in the garden and take care of it.

God said, "You may eat from any of the trees in the garden, except for one." God warned the man, "If you eat from that tree, you will die."

Then God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone." So God decided to make a helper for the man. God made the man fall fast asleep. He took one of the man's ribs and created a woman.

The woman was a perfect helper for the man; she was his wife. The man's name was Adam, and his wife's name was Eve.

God gave Adam and Eve good things. He put them in charge of the animals and provided everything they needed. God looked at everything He had made, and it was very good. So on the seventh day of creation, God rested from His work.

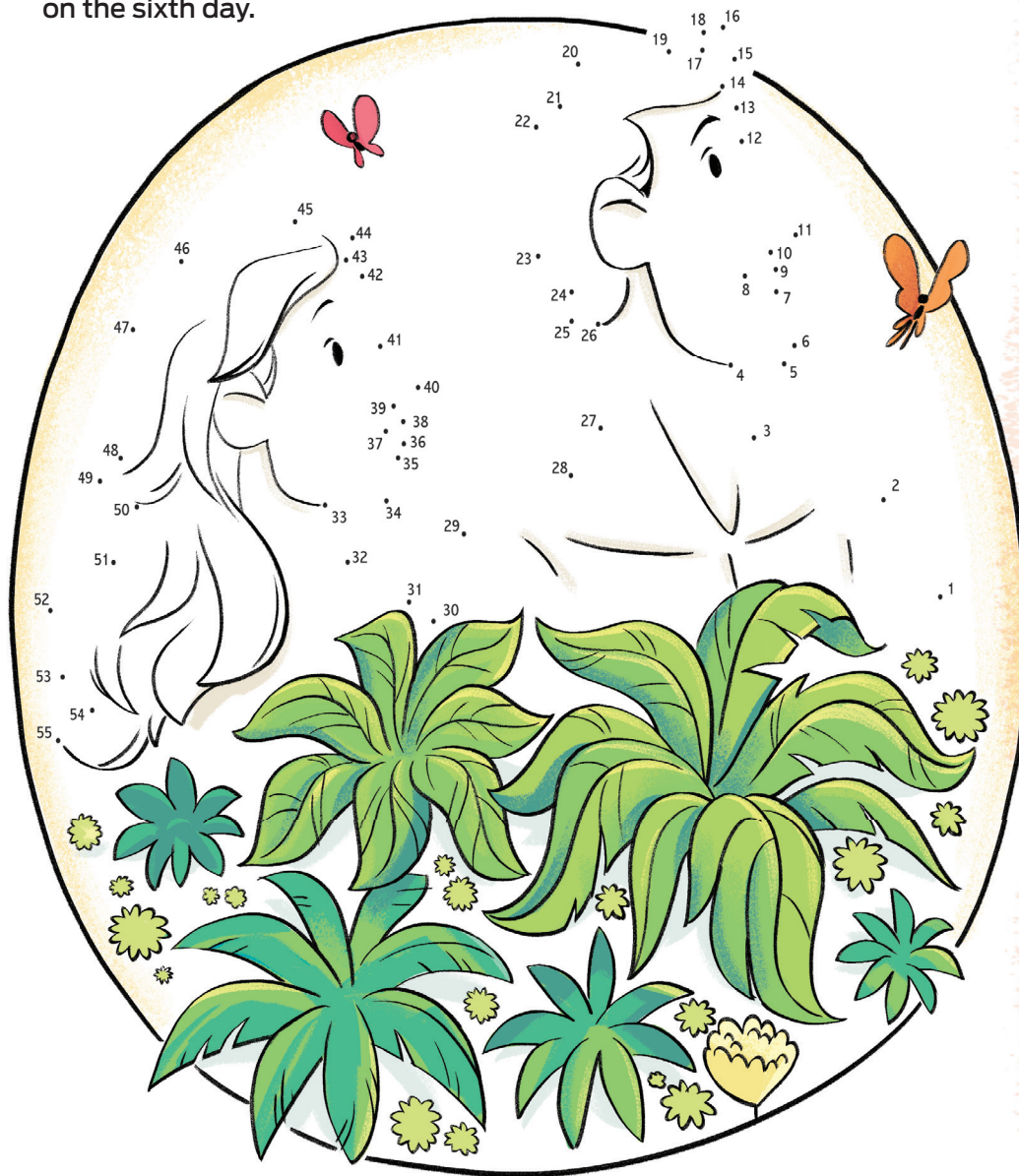
Christ Connection: God created people in His own image and provides for everything He made. People are special because God made people to live forever in a relationship with Him. Through His Son, Jesus, we can have eternal life with God just as He planned.



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He Created Them

Connect the dots to discover what God created on the sixth day.

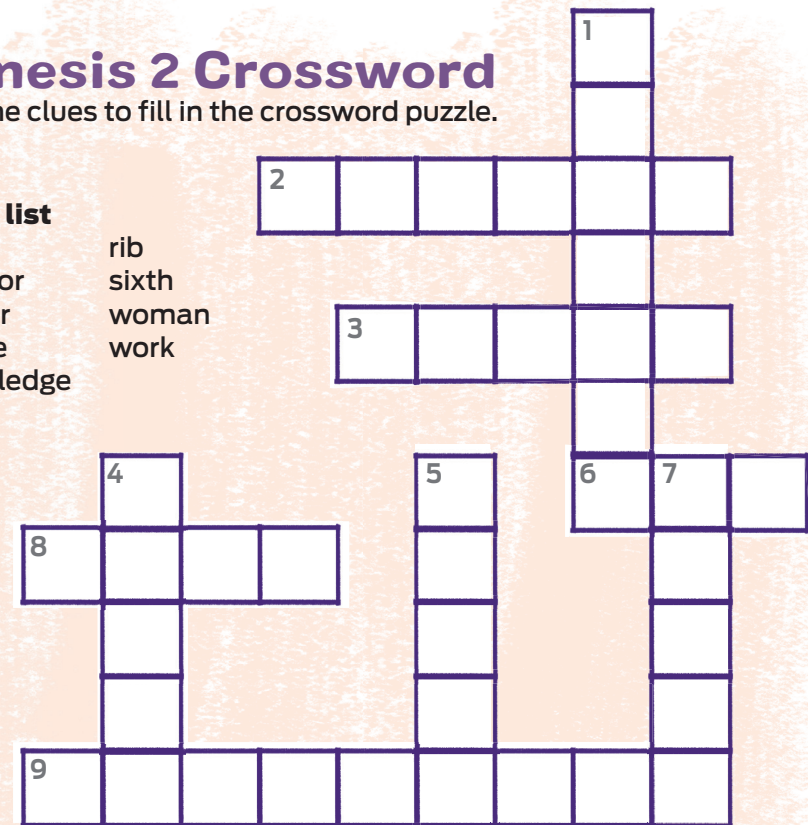


Genesis 2 Crossword

Use the clues to fill in the crossword puzzle.

Word list

alone
Creator
helper
image
knowledge
rib
sixth
woman
work



ACROSS

2. God made a ____ for the man. (Genesis 2:18)
3. God created people on the ____ day. (Genesis 1:31)
6. God took a ____ from the man. (Genesis 2:22)
8. God put the man in the garden to ____ it. (Genesis 2:15)
9. God said not to eat from the tree of the ____ of good and evil. (Genesis 2:17)

DOWN

1. God is our ____ and King. (Genesis 1:27)
4. God formed the rib into a _____. (Genesis 2:22)
5. God said it was not good for the man to be _____. (Genesis 2:18)
7. God created people in His own _____. (Genesis 1:27)

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FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- What are some ways people sin?
- Has anyone ever been perfect and without sin? (2 Corinthians 5:21)
- How does God show He loves us even when we sin? (Romans 5:8)

Sin Entered the World

Genesis 3

STORY POINT: ADAM AND EVE BROKE GOD'S LAW, AND THEIR SIN SEPARATED THEM FROM GOD.

God gave Adam and Eve everything they needed, and He gave them one command: "You may eat from any of the trees in the garden, except for one. If you eat from that tree, you will die."

Now the serpent was the most cunning animal.

One day, the serpent asked Eve, "Did God really say, 'You can't eat from any tree in the garden'?"

Eve answered, "God told us not to eat from the tree in the middle of the garden. He said if we eat the fruit or touch it, we will die."

"No! You will not die," the serpent lied. Eve took some of the fruit and ate it. Eve also gave some of the fruit to Adam, and he ate it. Then their eyes were opened, and they knew they were naked. That evening, God called out to Adam, "Where are you?"

Adam said, "I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid." God asked Adam, "Did you eat from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

Adam blamed Eve. Eve blamed the serpent. "He tricked me," she said.

Everything changed after Adam and Eve sinned. They were not close to God like before. Sin separated Adam and Eve from God. God made them clothes and then sent them out of the garden.

Christ Connection: Ever since Adam and Eve sinned, all people have been sinners. Our sin separates us from God, but God still loves us. God promised a Rescuer would come from Eve's family. God sent His Son, Jesus, to rescue people from sin and bring them back to God.



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The Fall Word Search

Find and circle the words hidden in the puzzle.

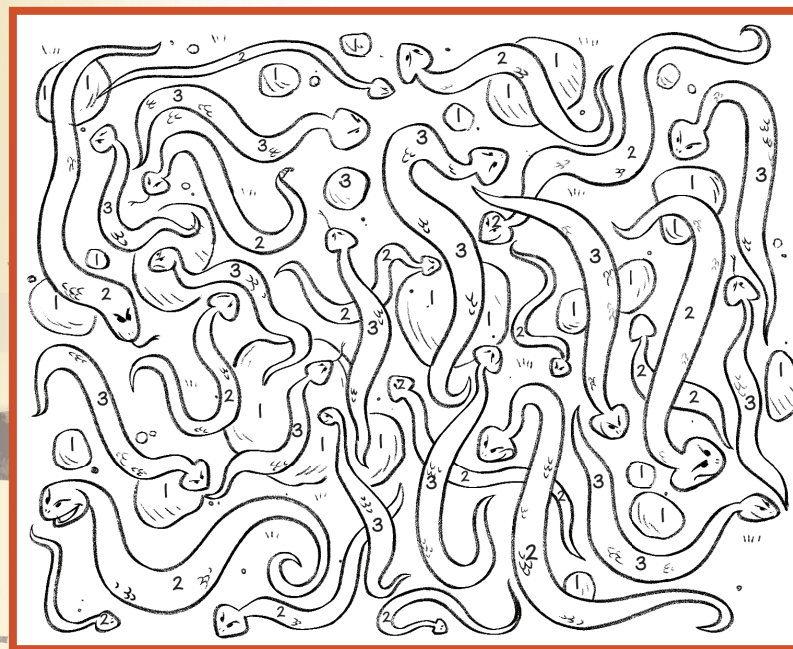
ADAM
DEATH
ENEMY
EVE
EVIL
FRUIT

GARDEN
GOOD
LIFE
SERPENT
SIN
TREE

Sneaky Snakes

Decide whether each statement is true or false. For each true statement, color the corresponding number in the picture below. Then circle the correct definition for the hidden word.

1. God told Eve, "You can eat from any tree in the garden."
2. Nothing changed after Adam and Eve sinned.
3. Ever since Adam and Eve sinned, all people have been sinners.



Definition:

- a. the breaking of God's law
- b. actions, words, or thoughts that please God
- c. something done to benefit others

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FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why did God rescue Noah from the flood? Did Noah do something to deserve being rescued?
- Do we need to do anything to be rescued by Jesus from our sin? Why or why not?
- If Jesus saves us from the punishment our sin deserves, why do we still experience pain and suffering?

Noah and the Ark

Genesis 6–9

STORY POINT: GOD PUNISHED SIN BUT CHOSE TO RESCUE NOAH AND HIS FAMILY.

Adam and Eve had many children and grandchildren. One day, God looked at all the people on earth and saw that they were choosing to sin. God decided to send a flood to destroy all the creatures on the earth and to clean up the world.

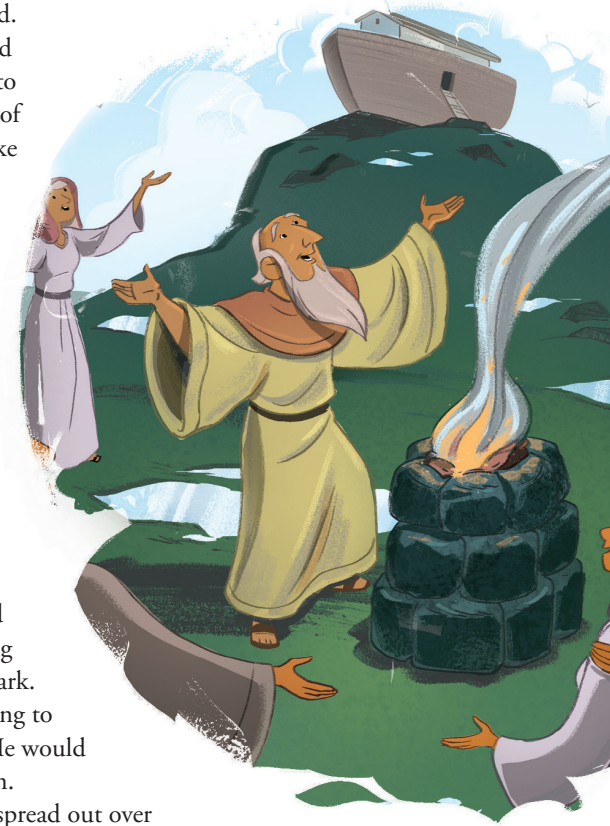
God showed favor to a man named Noah. He told Noah to make an ark to save himself, his family, and all kinds of animals. God said that He would make a *covenant*, or agreement, with Noah and his family. Noah did everything that God commanded.

When the ark was finished, Noah went inside with his family and the animals, and God shut the door. Rain came and water rose from the ground until all of the mountains were covered. Every living thing on the earth died; only Noah and those with him survived.

Finally, the rain stopped. Noah waited inside the ark until the ground was dry. Then God told Noah to bring all the people and animals out of the ark. Noah built an altar and gave an offering to the Lord. God promised Noah that He would never completely flood the earth again.

God told Noah and his family to spread out over the earth and fill it with people. God placed a rainbow in the sky as a special sign of the covenant He made with Noah.

Christ Connection: God rescued Noah and his family from the flood. The story of Noah points ahead to a greater rescue. God's Son, Jesus—the only perfectly righteous One—came to take the punishment for our sin. By trusting in Him, we are saved from the punishment our sin deserves.



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The Ark

Fill in the letters that match up with each number.
Hint: 1 = A, 2 = B, 3 = C, and so on.



The Adventures of Noah

Draw pictures of the events in Noah's story to show what happened.

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God warned Noah that a flood was coming. He told Noah to make an ark to save himself, his family, and all kinds of animals. Noah obeyed God.
(Genesis 6:13-14,22)

When the ark was finished, God told Noah to go inside with his family and the animals. Noah obeyed God.
(Genesis 7:1-5)

The flood came and covered the earth. The rain did not stop for 40 days and 40 nights. Only Noah and those with him survived.
(Genesis 7:11-24)

Noah waited inside the ark until the ground was dry. Then God told Noah to bring his family and the animals out of the ark. Noah obeyed God.
(Genesis 8:1-19)

God told Noah and his family to spread out and fill the earth with people. God placed a rainbow in the sky as a reminder that He would never again flood the earth.
(Genesis 9:1-17)

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FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- What are ways we seek glory for ourselves?
- Why does God deserve all the glory?
- How can we bring glory to God?

The Tower of Babel

Genesis 11

STORY POINT: PEOPLE TRIED TO BUILD A TOWER TO GLORIFY THEMSELVES INSTEAD OF GOD.

After the great flood, God told Noah and his sons to grow their families and fill the earth. Noah's sons and their wives had children, and the people started to travel through the land.

One day, the people traveled through a valley. They decided to stay.

"We don't want to be scattered all over the earth," they said. "Let's build a city and a tower so big that it touches the sky. The tower will make us famous!"

The people were not doing what God had told them to do. They were saying "Look how great we are," instead of "Look how great God is." But God is greater than anyone. God created people to give glory to Him alone.

The people used stones to start building the tower.

God came down to look at the tower. God said, "They will keep thinking up more bad things to do." So God mixed up the people's words. Everyone spoke different languages.

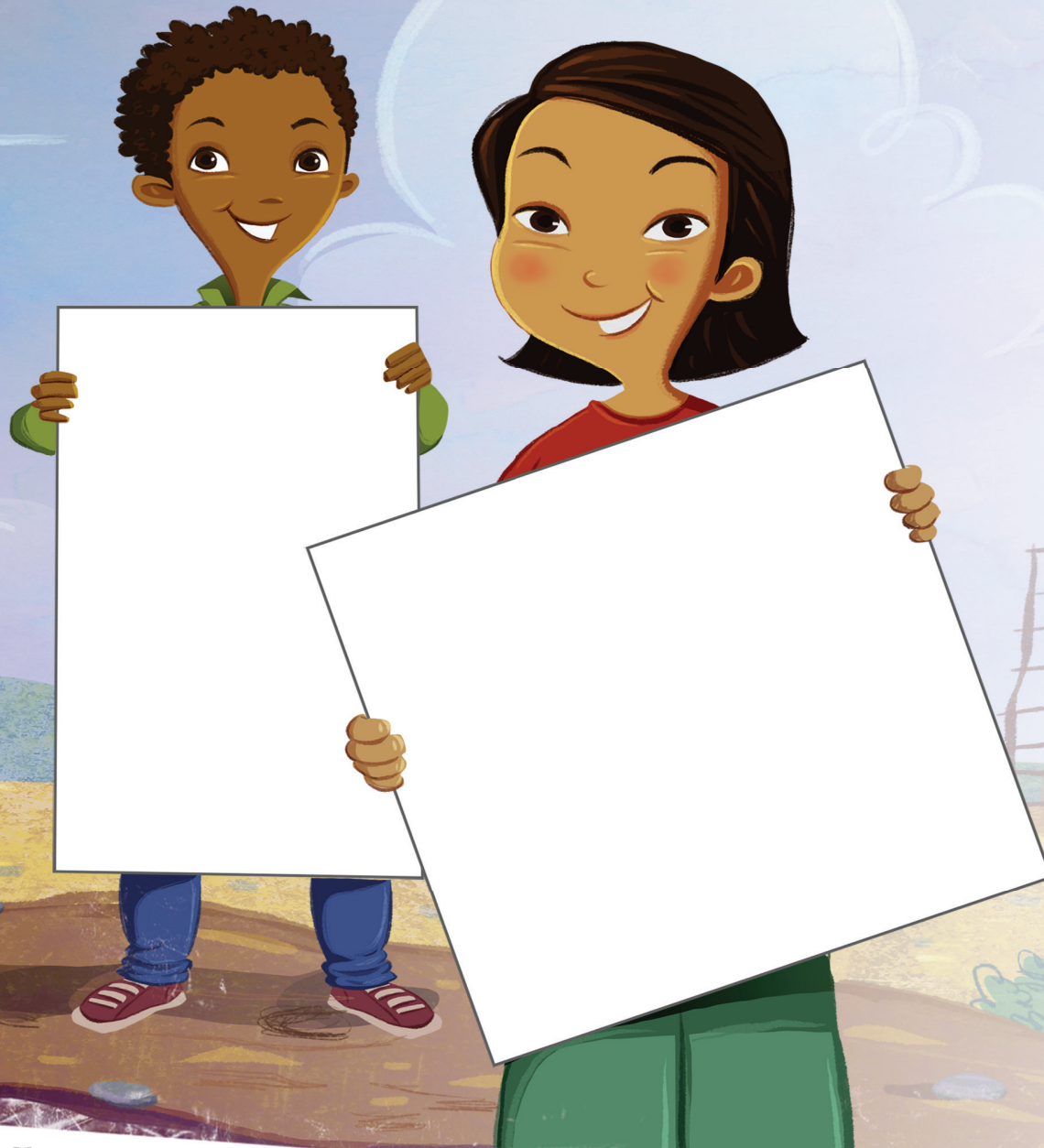
When people tried to make plans, they could not understand what other people were saying. The people had to stop building the city. Families had to move away from each other to live with people they could understand. The city with the unfinished tower was called Babel.



Christ Connection: People chose to give glory to themselves instead of God. They ignored God's plan, so God confused their language and scattered the people all over the earth. One day, Jesus will gather together all of God's people—people from every tribe and people who speak all kinds of languages—and they will worship Him together. (Revelation 7:9-10)

Made Famous

What do you want everyone to know about you? Write words or draw pictures in the space below.



True or False?

Circle whether each statement is true or false. Read Genesis 11:1-9 to check your answers and correct the false statements.

1. At one time, everyone on earth spoke the same language.

TRUE **FALSE**

2. The people cut wooden planks to build with.

TRUE **FALSE**

3. The people wanted to build an island for themselves.

TRUE **FALSE**

4. The people did not want to be scattered throughout the earth.

TRUE **FALSE**

5. God confused the people's language and scattered them throughout the earth.

TRUE **FALSE**

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FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why do people sometimes suffer?
- How can we trust that God is still good, even in suffering?
- When will all suffering and pain end?



The Suffering of Job

Job

STORY POINT: JOB LEARNED THAT GOD IS GOOD, EVEN IN SUFFERING.

Job was a wealthy man who loved God and wanted to follow God's plan. One day, Satan came to God. "Job only follows You because You protect him and bless him," Satan said. "If You take away everything Job has, he will not follow You anymore."

So God gave Satan permission to take away everything Job had, but Satan was not allowed to hurt Job. In one day, Job lost everything. Job was sad, but he still followed God.

Satan came to God again. He said, "If Job gets sick, he will not praise You anymore." So God gave Satan permission to make Job sick, but God did not let Satan kill Job. Three of Job's friends visited Job. They said, "Job, if you do what is right and stop sinning, God will give you back everything you lost."

"I haven't done anything wrong," Job said. Job did not understand why he was suffering.

Finally, a man named Elihu came to Job. "God is greater than man," Elihu explained. "God always does what is right."

Then God spoke to Job through a whirlwind. Job could not completely understand God's plans, but he could trust God. Job was sorry for doubting God. God gave back to Job everything he had lost—and so much more.

Christ Connection: Job learned that God is all-powerful, sovereign, and good. When we face suffering, we can hope in God. God sent Jesus, the only truly innocent One, to suffer and die so that everyone who trusts in Him can have forgiveness and eternal life.



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Word Match

Match each word with the correct definition. Trace the path for each star to check your answers.

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|-------------------------|---|
| 1. all-powerful | A. able to control all things and accomplish whatever one pleases |
| 2. sovereign (SAHV ren) | B. having complete or unlimited power |
| 3. good | C. pleasing, kind, and gracious |



Reply All

Look up the Bible verses and fill in the speech bubbles to show how Job replied to each situation.



A servant spoke to Job. (Job 1:18-19)
Job replied. (Job 1:20-21)



Job's wife spoke to Job. (Job 2:9)
Job replied. (Job 2:10)



God spoke to Job. (Job 40:1-2)
Job replied. (Job 40:3-5)