

## Lesson 9

**Story:** Today we will open with the story of creation from Genesis 1.

### God Creates All Things

#### 1. What is creation?

Creation is everything that exists except for God.

Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

John 1:3 "All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made."

#### 2. How did God create all things?

He created all things by speaking them into existence.

Genesis 1

- 1:3 "And **God said**, 'let there be light,' and there was light."
- 1:6 "And **God said**, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters...."
- 1:9 "And **God said**, 'Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.'"
- 1:14 "And **God said**, 'Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night.'"
- 1:20 "And **God said**, 'Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens.'"
- 1:24 "And **God said**, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds...'"
- 1:26 "Then **God said**, 'Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.'"

Hebrews 11:3 "By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible."

### **3. Why did God create all things?**

God created all things to display his glory and wisdom and power.

Psalm 19:1 “The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.”

Revelation 4:11 “Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.”

Proverbs 8:22-31

### **4. What does God think about what he made?**

God thinks his creation is very good.

Genesis 1:31 “And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.”

1 Timothy 4:4 “For everything created by God is good...”

### **5. Does God continue to control creation?**

Yes. God sustains creation and makes sure that it does what he wants it to do.

Colossians 1:16d-17 “...all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.”

Hebrews 1:3c “[God’s Son] upholds the universe by the word of his power.”

### **Take Words with You: Memorize**

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