God the CREATOR!



Our first **ATTRIBUTE of GOD** that we will be learning about is that **GOD IS THE CREATOR!!** What does that mean? It means that God made everything around us! God is the One who DESIGNED all the animals, plants, the sun and moon and planets, mountains and rivers and waterfalls—you name it! And more importantly, the God who did ALL these amazing things designed and created YOU! Isn't that amazing?

Memory verse:

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

Scripture Reading:

Let's read the story of how God created the world by turning to Genesis 1:1-31 in the *NIV Bible*; pages 11-12: "How the World Was Made" in the *Egermeier Bible*; or pages 18-27: "The Beginning, a Perfect Home" in the *Jesus Storybook Bible*.

Thinking About It:

Let's call out or find things around our house or outside that fit EACH DAY of CREATION!

Day One:	Day and Night	(for example, a flashlight that goes on and off!)
Day Two:	Water	
Day Three:	Dry Land and Plants	
Day Four:	Sun, Moon, and Stars	
Day Five:	Fish and Birds	
Day Six:	Animals and People	

Video: God's Story: Creation! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=teu7BCZTgDs

Activity:

Today we will begin an activity that you will get to continue throughout the fall! You will use the notebook provided to write down (individually or as a family) something that God did for you today or something for which you are thankful that came from God. It might be a call from a special friend, a beautiful sunny day, the fact that you got along well with your brothers or sisters, a great meal, etc.! All of these events come from the God who made not only heaven and earth but also YOU! And that God shows you that He loves you each and every day! We just have to train ourselves to look for the ways that God sends His love to us!

You can look for and write down "Messages from God" every day or every week. I think it is easier to begin by thinking about it EVERY DAY! That way you can get used to looking for God no matter what kind of day you are having! Talk about it with your family and share your "God stories" at dinner time or before bed. It is a great way to encourage each other and to thank God for all He does for us!

Today you will decorate the outside of your notebook and make your first "God" note!

Questions:

- 1. Who created the world and everything in it? (Answer: God)
- 2. What is, God's, most precious creation? (Answer: People, that includes you and I)
- 3. How does it make you feel to know that you are important to God?

Prayer:

Dear Lord, thank you for creating the world and everything in it. Thank you for creating animals, plants, and the sea, but most importantly we thank you for creating each one of us. Help us to know you more, to love you more, and see the world that you have created. Help us to learn today and to love each other. We love you! Amen