

## Unit 1 Grace Group (Sunday School) & Children's Church Activities

*K-2nd Grace Groups, PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Children's Church*

*Memory Verse for This Unit:*

*Psalms 119:89-90: Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast.*

Date & Lesson	Grace Group Activity Options	Children's Church Activity Options
January 4, 2026  Lesson 1: <i>God's Word is Our Foundation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lesson 1/2 Coloring Sheet</li> <li>• "Reading the Reference" Activity</li> <li>• Come On In Activity</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> <li>• "Better Than" activity</li> </ul>
January 11, 2026  Lesson 2: <i>Attributes of God</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coloring Sheet</li> <li>• "Attributes Matching Game"</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> <li>• Binoculars Craft</li> <li>• "Let's Measure" Activity</li> </ul>
January 18, 2026  Lesson 3: <i>We Can Know God Exists</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coloring Sheet</li> <li>• "Creator Hanger" Activity</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> <li>• "Eternal Chain" Activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> <li>• "Circle Up" Activity</li> <li>• "Created Things" Coloring Sheet</li> </ul>
January 25, 2026  Lesson 4: <i>The Trinity</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come On In Activity</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> <li>• Take-Home Page Activity or Class Notes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coloring Sheet</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> </ul>
February 1, 2026  Lesson 5: <i>God's Word Guides Us</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come On In Activity</li> <li>• Five Questions Signs</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> <li>• Coloring Sheet</li> <li>• Take-Home Sheet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> <li>• "Guide Me" Activity or "God Guides Footprint" Activity</li> </ul>
February 8, 2026  Lesson 6: <i>God Preserves His Word</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come On In Activity</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> <li>• "Roll a Scroll" Activity</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> <li>• Coloring Sheet</li> <li>• "Preserve the Word" Relay</li> </ul>

<p>February 15, 2026</p> <p>Lesson 7: <i>God's Word is Complete</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "Something's Missing" Activity</li> <li>• Come On In Activity</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> <li>• Coloring Sheet</li> </ul>
<p>February 22, 2026</p> <p>Lesson 8: <i>Don't Change God's Word</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come On In Activity</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> <li>• Class Notes</li> <li>• Take Home Sheet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coloring Sheet</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> <li>• "Whisper the Truth" Activity</li> </ul>
<p>March 1, 2026</p> <p>Lesson 9: <i>The Gospel is Good News</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come On In Activity</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> <li>• Class Notes</li> <li>• Coloring Sheet</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> <li>• Gospel Beads Bracelet Activity</li> </ul>
<p>March 8, 2026</p> <p>Lesson 10: <i>Unit Review</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Come On In Activity</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse (And Activity)</li> <li>• Take-Home Sheet Lesson 7 and 9</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review Puzzles</li> <li>• Review Questions &amp; Game</li> <li>• Memory Verse &amp; Memory Verse Activity</li> </ul>

# SCOPE & SEQUENCE

## Unit 1 Lessons 1–10

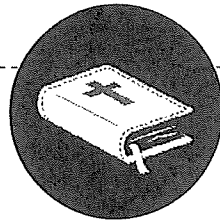


**Answers**  
BIBLE CURRICULUM

### OLD TESTAMENT • (120 LESSONS)

Lesson	Lesson Title	Key Passages
1	God's Word Is Our Foundation	Psalms 19:7–11, 86:11, 119:105; Proverbs 30:5
2	Attributes of God	Exodus 20:2–6, 34:4–8; 1 Samuel 2:2; Psalm 36:5, 86:5; 90:1–6, 96:13, 115:3; Romans 5:8; 1 John 4:7–21
3	We Can Know God Exists	Genesis 1:1–2; Exodus 3:13–15; John 18:1–6; Romans 1:18–23; 1 Corinthians 1:18–31
4	The Trinity	Genesis 1:1–3; Psalm 33:6, 104:30; Isaiah 44:23–24; Matthew 3:13–17; John 1:1–5, 1:14; Colossians 1:15–17; Hebrews 11:3
5	God's Word Guides Us	2 Timothy 1:1–2, 2:9, 3:16–17; Titus 1:2; Hebrews 6:13–18; 2 Peter 1:19–21
6	God Preserves His Word	Jeremiah 36; Luke 24:13–32
7	God's Word Is Complete	Deuteronomy 4:2, 12:32; Proverbs 30:6; John 14:25–26, 21:24–25; Titus 1:2; Hebrews 6:18; Revelation 22:18–19
8	Don't Change God's Word	Deuteronomy 18:17–22; Acts 17:10–11; Galatians 1:6–9; Revelation 22:18–19
9	The Gospel Is Good News	Genesis 1:31–2:4, 3:6–7, 3:21–23, 6:5–8, 8:1, 8:15–17, 11:1–9; John 1:14–17, 3:16; Romans 3:19–26, 5:8–19; 1 Corinthians 15:1–5; 2 Corinthians 5:21; Revelation 21:1–8
10	Unit Review	

This scope and sequence is an overview based on the ABC adult lesson titles and Bible passages. Selections of scripture vary by age level. For each age level's scope and sequence, see the syllabus in the teacher guide introduction or on the back of the teacher guide cover.



# We Can Know God Exists

*God is, God was, and he will be forever.*

## Lesson Focus

We can know that God exists because he is the only eternal being, existing before the creation of the world. As we look around, we can see that all things had to have a creator, and we know that Creator is God according to what his Word says.

## Key Passages

Genesis 1:1; Revelation 1:8

## Memory Verse

**Psalms 119:89–90** Forever, O LORD, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens. Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast.

# Lesson Preparation



## Come On In

Choose one of the following activities and print/gather necessary items.

Come On In Game:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Book Match    | <input type="checkbox"/> I Have You Have |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashcard Take Away | <input type="checkbox"/> Popcorn*        |

Review Coloring Sheet\*

Turn on some lesson/memory verse songs for students to listen to while they play with play dough, puzzles, blocks, etc.\*



## Lesson Time

You will need the following items:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lesson Flip Chart  | <input type="checkbox"/> Pictures of created things such as flowers, insects, animals, rivers, etc. (Include some things that are beautiful and some that are interesting or strange-looking.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffed animal for prayer time                               |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ring-type object such as a hula hoop, bracelet, or swim ring |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yardstick or ruler   |  |



## Lesson Review Game

Print one copy of the Review Questions.

Choose a Lesson Review Game and print/gather necessary items:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Basket Toss*    | <input type="checkbox"/> Bowling*     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Baseball* | <input type="checkbox"/> Goofy Golf   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board Game      | <input type="checkbox"/> Toss for It* |



## Story Time

Read the Justin and Jessie story on the back of the picture provided in the Teacher Kit or print a copy along with a coloring sheet for each student.



## Memory Verse Game

Choose a Memory Verse Game and print/gather necessary items:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Balloon Bop and Pop | <input type="checkbox"/> Freeze*       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Echo Echo*          | <input type="checkbox"/> Funny Voices* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Egg Hunt            | <input type="checkbox"/> Popcorn*      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Follow the Leader*  |  |

Find extra verses to practice in the Additional Memory Verses list.



## Song Time

Remember to use the downloaded music to learn the songs. Lyrics can be found on the Song Sheet at the end of this lesson or on the Flip Chart Song Time Lyrics Page.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> "Oh, Be Sure to Read the Bible" | <input type="checkbox"/> "Psalm 119:89-90" |
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Find extra songs to the tunes of favorite nursery rhymes in the Additional Songs list.



The required lesson and supplementary materials can be accessed from the **Teacher Digital Resources** under *Lesson 3*. Game instructions are also included in the *Appendix* in the back of this Teacher Guide.

All Lesson Preparation suggestions may be used for Pre-K (3-4 years old) and Kindergarten-1st Grade (5-7 years old) classes.

Suggestions with an **asterisk (\*)** are specifically recommended for Pre-K.

# Prepare to Share

## Scriptural Background

Prepare to teach by preparing your heart. Read the key passages for this lesson along with this background.

"How do I know God exists?" This is a question that has been and will be debated as long as sinners occupy the earth. First of all, as Christians who walk by faith and not by sight (2 Corinthians 5:7), we do not need to prove the existence of God. The Bible says that we accept God by faith—that we believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him (Hebrews 11:6). Because the Bible is our basis for all we believe, we believe in God as presented in the Bible.

God's Word begins with the proclamation that he and he alone existed from eternity past: "In the beginning, God . . ." (Genesis 1:1). If he had wanted to prove himself to the world in a way our minds could grasp, he could have done that. God saw no need to explain further. Belief in him as the one true God comes by faith and trust in him and his Word.

Genesis 1 continues to describe this God who spoke the entire universe into existence. The order we see in creation—from the stars, solar systems, animal and plant life, to the natural laws of gravity, motion, and thermodynamics—gives evidence of an omnipotent Creator. There is no other explanation. The universe is not a result of random chance. It was created by one who was not created. There had to be someone who never came into being. There had to

be a Creator. God—the one true God—is that Creator, who was and is and is to come (Revelation 4:8).

As we look to the Scriptures, we see that God described himself to Moses as "I AM WHO I AM," which essentially means *the one who is and will be* (Exodus 3:13–14). The eternal, self-existent nature of God is revealed through his Word and simply assumed. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, John records that the Lord is the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty (Revelation 1:8). What more do we need? This describes the only holy, omnipotent, omniscient God of the universe—who was and is and always will be. He is not bound by time as we know it. He created time in the beginning (Genesis 1:1).

God in his mercy has also specifically revealed himself through his incredible creation. "The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork" (Psalm 19:1). And the Apostle Paul tells us that since the creation of the world, God's invisible attributes have been seen through creation, revealing his eternal power and Godhead—leaving those who do not believe in him without excuse (Romans 1:18–21). God does indeed exist. His existence is confirmed in Scripture and through his creation—and the wrath of God will be revealed from heaven against all who suppress the truth of his existence in unrighteousness.

## Historical/Apologetics Background

Look around you; what do you see? An amazingly designed universe—from the single cell to the vast and immeasurable solar system. And yet the debate for a Creator of such things rages. We can rest in God's Word, "In the beginning, God . . ." (Genesis 1:1). We know that if something exists, it was somehow created into being. And as Christians we know who that Creator was. But what of folks who state there was no Creator—it all began with a bang, a very "big bang," one that allegedly occurred billions of years ago in one tiny speck of mass and energy, a speck that would one day become everything we see today?

This story of the big bang originated with an attempt to completely discount the Bible and its account of our Creator God. Christians who buy into

it need to understand the atheistic beginnings of this secular story and why it cannot be "added" to the biblical account of Genesis 1 without destroying the Bible's integrity.

From a practical standpoint, have you ever blown something up and then observed the pieces reassembling into a complex . . . anything? No, when buildings are demolished, they pretty much end up in a heap of debris with no order or design. And yet, the big bang proposed by some has produced intricate life and more. In fact, this notion claims that out of a random explosion and expansion of matter billions of years ago, life in its complexity and beauty—from the human body to the ant, from the wonder of the solar system to the universe beyond—has been organized

and arranged into the complex world we live in today by nothing more than random, natural processes.

But, we know that the very existence of design, order, natural laws, and principles in the universe demands that there was a Creator—an organizer, a designer—not a big bang. That Creator can only be the one true Creator God. The only one who has declared himself the Creator (Genesis 1), and the only one who proclaims that he himself is sustaining the universe—personally maintaining life and upholding all things by the word of his power (Colossians 1:17; Hebrews 1:3). This Creator, our God, is truly worthy to receive glory and honor and power—for he created all things, and by his will they exist and were created (Revelation 4:11)!

However, from the very beginning, people have wanted to be their own gods—and Satan is the primary encourager of this. The God of the Bible demands obedience, reverence, and accountability. The serpent asked Adam and Eve, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” (Genesis 3:1). Adam and Eve listened to the serpent, disregarding God’s Word, and sin, deceit, pride, evil, hatred, death, and suffering entered the world.

God will one day judge the sin of the world in righteousness (Psalm 96:13). Those who believe God’s Word know this to be true. However, many doubt the very existence of God and do not fear his judgment. These atheists boldly turn from the greatest commandment—“You shall have no other gods before me” (Exodus 20:3)—to pursue the imaginings of their own minds.

In many ways, our culture has been shaped by these people who claim there is no God. We’ll look at a few of them here.

Charles Darwin, the father of evolution, although not a proclaimed atheist, was influenced immensely by his atheist grandfather Erasmus. Darwin’s idea of

evolution has changed the course of human history and is one of the greatest attacks on the Word of God in our modern time.

Karl Marx, referred to by some as the greatest thinker in all of history, once stated that religion is the opiate of the masses—impotence of the human mind to deal with occurrences it cannot understand.

Sigmund Freud, considered by some as psychology’s most famous figure, believed that religion was nothing more than an expression of underlying psychological neuroses and distress.

More recently, Madalyn Murray O’Hair was instrumental in removing prayer from the public schools in 1963. She believed that religion has caused more misery to all of mankind in every stage of human history than any other single idea.

And today we have those who are referred to as the “new atheists”—men such as Richard Dawkins, Sam Harris, and Christopher Hitchens (now deceased)—and they are aggressively going after your children, your liberties, and your faith! Dawkins, a scientist and an active leader in this movement, believes that one of the things wrong with religion is that it teaches us to be satisfied with answers which are not answers at all. These men and others have accused Christians of “child abuse” for teaching their children the Bible and passing on their faith.

The worldview of these atheists is dangerous to our culture. However, as Christians we are confident in the promises of the Word of God. We must not lose heart. We must be committed to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ and enthused about keeping God on his throne as Sovereign Creator and Sustainer of all (Colossians 1:17). God has assured us that his Word is settled forever and his faithfulness will endure to all generations (Psalm 119:89–90).

## Bible Pass Around

We are going to start out today by looking into God's Word, the Bible. *Hold up Bible.* God's Word is true, and we can trust what it says. But where should we look? One of you will help me with that. We're going to play Bible Pass Around. I want everyone to count with me up to the number \_\_\_\_\_. (You may also choose to recite the books of the Bible, sing one of the lesson songs, or recite the memory verse as you do this activity.) As we say each number (or word), you will carefully pass the Bible to the person beside you. Remember, we don't want to drop it or tear it. Then when we get to the last number (or word), whoever has the Bible will hold on to it until we are ready for it in our lesson. *Hand the Bible to the first student.* Here we go!

- Before Bible Pass Around, place a sticky note in your Bible to mark the first passage to be read.

**K-1<sup>st</sup> Lesson continues next. Go to page 46 for the Pre-K Lesson.**



## K-1<sup>st</sup> Lesson

### Introduction

- ? Turn to Lesson 1 Flip Chart. Let's think back a couple of weeks. What did we talk about, do you remember? *God's Word. The Bible.*

Right! We learned that God's Word is very valuable and better than anything. Better than gold, jewelry, or money. And it's sweeter than honey or any other sweet treat we could ever want.

When we read and learn God's Word, it will change us and help us know God better and do what is pleasing to him.

- ? Turn to Lesson 2 Flip Chart. Who did we talk about last week? *God.*

Yes. We talked about God and what he's like.

- ? What is the best way to learn about who God is? Here's a hint. *Hold up Bible. Read the Bible.*

That's right. The Bible tells us about God. There is no other book that tells us all we need to know about God. The Bible tells us that God is infinite—he cannot be measured. And he is great! Even greater than we can imagine. He is also unsearchable. We can search and search, but we will still never know everything about him.

- Don't forget! Review the Optional Supplements and determine where you can use them.

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## God Is Eternal

Now, let's start today's lesson!

- ? Who has the Bible? Please bring it up. We are going to read from God's Word now. *Have the student bring the Bible and open it to the sticky note.*



## Genesis 1:1

Genesis 1:1 is the very first verse in the first book of the whole Bible! These are God's first words to us. *Read the verse.*

? Who was there in the beginning? *God.*

That's right! The Bible says that God was there in the beginning. And we know that God's Word is always true. God was here before anything or anyone else! God was here before time began. God even created time!

? What did God do in the beginning? *Created the heavens and the earth.*

Yes! God was in the beginning before the world was here. Then God created EVERYTHING out of nothing! Isn't that amazing?!

? Do you know who created God? *Allow discussion. No one.*

No one created God because God has always been here! God has no beginning!

We have beginnings. We like to celebrate our beginnings, when we were born, with birthdays, don't we?

But God has always been here. He doesn't have a birthday because God has always been God! And the Bible tells us that he was the one who created everything.

*Hold up a yardstick or ruler or draw a straight line on the board. I brought a couple of things to help us understand this better. This is a yardstick. I use this to measure things.*

► Have yardstick and ring prop ready.

? Where is the beginning and end of this yardstick? *Walk around your class. Allow students to show you where the beginning and end of the yardstick is.*

So, this yardstick has a beginning here, and an end here. We can see that.

? Now take a look at this. *Bring out the hula hoop, bracelet, ring, or another appropriate "ring" prop or draw a circle on the board. What shape is this? Circle or ring.*

? Where is the beginning of it? *Pass the item around if appropriate. Let the students try to figure out where the beginning might be. There is no beginning.*

Huh! Very interesting. This ring, or circle, has no beginning. Just like this circle, God has no beginning either! He has always been here.

? Continue to pass the "ring" item around. This ring does not have a beginning. But does it have an end? Is there an end to this circle? *Allow discussion. There is no end.*

No end either! It just goes round and round. There is no beginning and no end to this circle.

Now let's think about God. God never had a beginning. He always was. When the Bible talks about the beginning, it tells us God was already

there. And God will never have an end. He will always be. We believe this because it is what God's Word tells us!

You know what? There is a word we use when we say that God never had a beginning and will never have an end; that word is "eternal."

- ? Can you say eternal? Repeat "eternal" several times.
- ? What does eternal mean? Look at the "ring" again. *God has no beginning and no end.*

### Revelation 1:8

The Bible tells us more about that in the book of Revelation, the very last book of the Bible. *Open your Bible to Revelation and show them. Read Revelation 1:8.* This verse says that God is the Alpha and the Omega.

- ? What is the first letter in our alphabet? *Draw "A" on the board.*

That's right. In the Greek alphabet, Alpha is the first letter. *Draw "α" on the board.*

So, Alpha means the very beginning!

- ? Now what is the last letter in our alphabet? *Draw "Z" on the board.*

Yes, the letter Z. But the last letter of the Greek alphabet is Omega. It looks like this. *Draw "Ω" on the board.* Omega means the very end.

*Refer to Greek letters on the board.* So when this verse says God is the Alpha and the Omega, it's telling us that God is the beginning and the end. God is eternal!

God is here today. He always has been here, and he always will be here. No one had to make him. He will always be . . . forever!

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## Creation Reveals a Creator

- ? Now I have a question for you. Who can tell me what God created?  
*Everything!*

When you look around outside, you can see so many things like a dog, a cat, snowflakes, rainbows, lightning, flowers, a bumble bee, and stars.

- ? *Refer to Lesson Flip Chart.* What do you see here in the picture? *The ocean, the beach, clouds, the sun, trees, birds, a crab, people.*

All of these things were created by God. That means God made everything out of nothing. The Bible says that God was the one who created the world and everything in it—all the animals, plants, stars, oceans. Even the first man and woman—Adam and Eve!

- ? What is something in God's great creation that you really like?  
*Allow answers.*

- Have pictures of created things ready.

*Show pictures of created things you brought in. Some things are beautiful, and some things might seem funny-looking. But they are all unique and special, aren't they? And God made them that way.*

- ? When we look around, we know that everything we see had to have a creator, right? How about your chair? Did someone make your chair, or did it just appear? *Someone made it.*

That's right. God gave people brains so they could understand how to make things. Your chair was made, or created, by someone. What about this building? Someone had to build this building we're in. Someone made the house you live in, too.

- ? So, do you think someone created the animals and the plants—even the whole universe? *Yes!*

- ? Of course the whole universe needed a creator. And who was that who created everything, including the whole universe? *God!*

That's right! The Bible says that in the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth—everything! He is the only one who could have created it all because only God is eternal. He was the only one there at the beginning.

Everything we see in God's creation helps us to know that there is a God. And God created everything! No one had to create him. He always was, and he always will be.

**Continue with the Lesson Review Game on page 48.**

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## Pre-K Lesson

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We have beginnings when we are born. We like to celebrate our beginnings with birthdays, don't we?

But God has always been God. God doesn't have a birthday because he has always been here!

- ? How many of you have had a birthday? Raise your hand. *Show of hands.*

Birthdays are so much fun! And they are special because they remind us of the day we were born—our beginning!

- ? Does God have a beginning or a birthday like we do? *No.*

That's right. God also doesn't have an end. He will never die. We believe this because it is what God's Word tells us!

You know what? There is a word we use when we say that God never had a beginning and will never have an end; that word is "eternal."

- ? Can you say eternal? *Repeat "eternal" several times.*

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- ? Good job! Now I have another question for you. Who can tell me what God created? *Everything!*

When you look around outside, There are so many things you can see, like a dog, a cat, snowflakes, rainbows, lightning, flowers, a bumble bee, and stars.

- ? Refer to Lesson Flip Chart. What do you see here in the picture? *The ocean, the beach, clouds, the sun, trees, birds, a crab, people.*

All of these things were created by God. That means God made everything out of nothing. The Bible says that God was the one who created the world and everything in it—all the animals, plants, stars, oceans. Even the first man and woman—Adam and Eve!

- ? What is something in God's great creation that you really like?  
*Allow answers.*

*Show pictures of created things you brought in.* Some things are beautiful, and some things might seem funny-looking. But they are all unique and special, aren't they? And God made them that way.

- ? When we look around, we know that everything we see had to have a creator, right? How about your chair? Did someone make your chair, or did it just appear? *Someone made it.*

That's right. God gave people brains so they could understand how to make things. Your chair was made, or created, by someone. What about this building? Someone had to build this building we're in. Someone made the house you live in, too.

- ? So, do you think someone created the animals and the plants—and the whole universe, including all the stars and planets in space? *Yes!*

- ? You're right! Someone had to create it all. And who was that who created everything? *God!*

That's right. The Bible says that in the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth—everything! He is the only one who could have created it all because only God is eternal. He was the only one there at the beginning.

Everything we see in God's creation helps us to know that there is a God. And God created everything! No one had to create him. He had no beginning, and he will never die.

Continue with the Lesson Review Game below.



## Lesson Review Game

*We all learn best with review and repetition! We encourage you to play a lesson review game.*

➤ Have pictures of created things ready.

# Review Questions

## K-1<sup>st</sup> Review Questions

1. The Bible says someone was there in the beginning before anything else. Who was that? *God.*
2. God is eternal. What does that mean? *He has no beginning or end.*
3. God was the only one here in the beginning. So, who created everything? *God.*
4. What word means that God has no beginning and no end? *Eternal.*
5. What shape reminds us that God has no beginning and no end? *Circle or ring.*
6. What celebration do we have once a year to remember our beginning? *Birthday!*
7. The Bible says God is the Alpha and the Omega. What does that mean? God is the \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_. *Beginning, end.*
8. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the what? *Earth.*
9. All things were created by God. What does created mean? *God made them.*
10. What is one of God's creations? *Name one created thing.*
11. Did someone have to make the world and everything in it, or did it appear by itself? *Someone made it.*
12. Who created God? *No one. God has no beginning.*
13. What is the most important book that has ever been written? *The Bible!*
14. What is in the Bible? *God's Word to man!*
15. How long is God's Word firmly fixed in the heavens? *Forever.*

## Pre-K Review Questions

16. What celebration do we have once a year to remember our beginning? *Birthday!*
1. Did God ever have a birthday, or has God always been here? *God has always been here.*
2. What is the new word we used today that means God had no birthday and will never die? *Eternal.*
3. Who created the heavens and the earth? *God.*
4. Did someone have to make your chair, or did it just appear all by itself? *Someone made it.*
5. Did someone have to make the world and everything in it, or did it appear by itself? *Someone made it.*
6. Look at the Flip Chart picture. What are some things you see that God created? *Allow two or three answers.*
7. All things were created by God. What does created mean? *God made them.*
8. What is the most important book that has ever been written? *The Bible!*
9. What is in the Bible? *God's Word to man!*
10. All of God's words in the Bible are what? *True!*
11. Are there any mistakes in the Bible? *No, God cannot lie or make mistakes!*
12. How long is God's Word firmly fixed in the heavens? *Forever.*

# Circle Up!

## Materials

None

## Instructions

*Direct the students to an open space in the room and instruct them to join hands and make a straight line.*

*Begin to march the students around the room.*

*Ask students who is at the beginning of the line and who is at the end. Remind them that God has no beginning or end.*

*Direct the students to join hands and make a circle.*

*Ask students who is at the beginning and the end of the line now. Remind them that a circle, which has no beginning or end, is like God. He is eternal.*

*Repeat making lines and circles as time allows, letting different students be at the beginning and end of the line.*

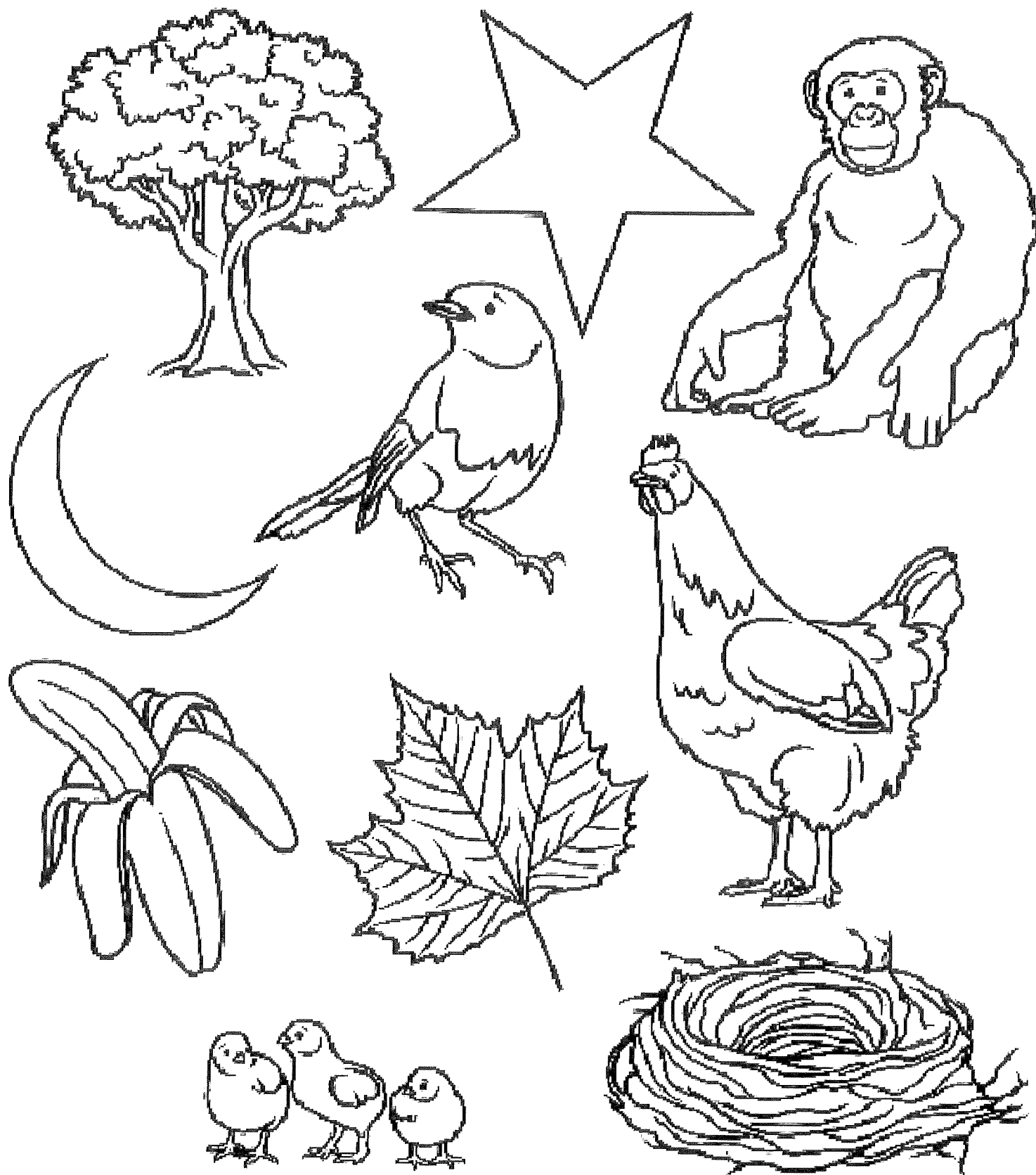
*See how quickly students can form lines and circles when you call out commands.*

## Suggested Discussion

- ? When we marched in a line, did our line have a beginning and an end? *Yes.*
- ? When we made a circle, did our circle have a beginning and an end? *No.*
- ? Does God have a beginning or an end? *No!*

There is no beginning or ending when we get into a circle. That's what we want to remember about God. He did not have a beginning, and he will not have an end. He is eternal!

Name \_\_\_\_\_



*Have students draw a line to connect the created things that go together and then color the pictures.*