

Creation Central

Lesson 1



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Day 1 of Creation

Light and Dark / Day and Night

Memory Verses Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Psalm 119:105

Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

Scripture

In the beginning, when God created the universe, the earth was formless and desolate. The raging ocean that covered everything was engulfed in total darkness, and the Spirit of God was moving over the water. Then God commanded, "Let there be light." - and light appeared. God was pleased with what He saw. Then He named the light "Day" and the darkness "Night." Evening passed and morning came - that was the first day. Genesis 1:1-3 (GNT)

Lesson

What would it be like if it were always dark? Can you imagine—no light?! Well, Before God created the universe, everything was in total darkness. What are some things we CAN'T do without light? (Answers could include the following: see, read, walk well, cook)

God decided that in the beginning of the universe He would create LIGHT! And He separated the LIGHT from the DARK so they could be two different things. And you know what? HE said the light was good! And that's what happened the first day of creation!

(As you approach this part of the lesson, be especially attentive to children with inquisitive looks or extra questions. If you have extra help, have someone pull them aside or make a point to talk with them immediately after the lesson while other children's hands are occupied with ta craft.)

It's like that in our lives, too. Our lives and our hearts can be very dark—doing things the way we want to do them—lying, stealing, cheating, disobeying our parents. All of us have been dark before,

without a friendship with God, but God did something wonderful for us. He sent His one and only Son to live and die. He was raised to life again so that there could be light in our lives and our hearts. Have you every let God change the dark (sin) in you for His light (Jesus)?

What things do we use for light? (Let the children answer. Their answers may include—candles, fire, electricity or light bulbs, flashlights, lamps, etc.) When we decide to let God change the dark in us to light, the Bible talks about US being lights. We can be like a flashlight in places where people's hearts and lives are dark.

For more information or reinforcement, have children look up the following verses as well as their memory verses.

Psalm 119:105

Matthew 5:16

Exodus 13:21

Activities

Show a creation movie.

Teach your kids "This Little Light of Mine."

Crafts

Make pictures of all that was created and mount each one on a craft stick.

Provide coloring sheets.

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 Z S J E D E X M O A W M E I W
 S T E E O I E O F R F O U Z N
 Q A B E G I N N I N G O V X O
 Y R E S N F D L R C O N N E O
 T S U R W R E S S N O E J D H
 V T C E A E M K T T D A Y I B
 N D M V P T H R D O M R G O D
 T H G I L D E T A E R C W E A
 G V O N L U C H Y R F N S I J
 Z D A U U B X G C L O U D S L
 S S U N W D H I K O N A R X W
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 L A T L I J C J Q F R E O R W

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NIGHT

GOD

LIGHT

FIRST DAY

CREATED

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GOOD

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 U R E F N F D L R C O N N E O
 R S U A W R E S S N A E J R H
 G T C T A E M K T T N A Y O B
 O D M H P T H R D O D R G F D
 O H G E L D E T A E P C W E A
 D V O R L U C H Y R R N S B J
 D T H A T T H E Y M A Y S E E
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