OLDER KIDS: Genesis 1:27-2:2
YOUNGER KIDS: Genesis 1:31-2:2
MEMORY VERSE: Genesis 1:27

EXPLAIN
• God created the entire universe and everything in it.
• God made us in His own image.
• God gave us instructions to be in charge of the earth and to care for it.
• God designed everything to do a unique job on earth, and by doing their job they bring Him glory. People were created to have a relationship with God.

APPLY
In just six days, God created everything! And not only did God create everything, God said everything He made was very good. God didn’t say, “Oops! I don’t think I like that animal, maybe I’ll try again.” He made everything perfectly to bring Him glory. Draw a picture of something from God’s creation.

RESPOND
PRAY: Jesus, thank You for creating everything. I want to bring You glory in everything I do.
OLDER KIDS: Genesis 3:8-13
YOUNGER KIDS: Genesis 3:8-10
MEMORY VERSE: Genesis 1:27

Adam and Eve chose to break God’s law. Our actions when we break God’s law are called sins. Because Adam and Eve chose to sin, we are all sinners. Sin separates us from God because He is holy. God sent His Son Jesus to rescue us from sin. Adam and Eve were the first people God created, and they were also the first ones to sin. Because they brought sin into the world, everyone is born with sin. God sent Jesus to live a sinless life so that He could rescue us from sin.

After Adam and Eve sinned, they were afraid and hid from God in the garden. But we can’t hide from God because He knows everything! Trace each snake and match its number and letter to those in the box to complete each statement.

PRAY: Heavenly Father, thank You for sending Jesus to rescue us from sin.
OLDER KIDS: Genesis 7:1-6
YOUNGER KIDS: Genesis 7:1-5
MEMORY VERSE: Genesis 1:27

The world became so full of sin that God wanted to destroy it. Because Noah followed God, God did not punish Noah and his family.

God is serious about sin and will not let it go unpunished.

God gave Noah instructions to build the ark that saved his family and the animals from the flood.

The world was so sinful, it made God very sad. Noah was the only person who followed God. God decided to destroy all life on the earth except for Noah’s family and the animals that He would send to the ark.

Because Noah followed God, God gave Noah’s family a rescue plan—the ark. Noah obeyed God, and his family was saved from the flood. God’s ultimate rescue plan for us was His Son Jesus, who lived a sinless life but took the punishment for our sin anyway. Complete the dot-to-dot picture of the ark and draw your favorite animal or animals inside.

PRAY: God, thank You for loving us and for forgiving us of our sin.
OLDER KIDS: Genesis 9:12-17
YOUNGER KIDS: Genesis 9:13-15
MEMORY VERSE: Genesis 1:27

God made a promise to Noah that He would never flood the entire earth again. God made a rainbow as a reminder of His promise. God always keeps His promises. God made a promise never to destroy the earth with a flood again. To confirm His promise, God presented a rainbow.

Has someone ever broken a promise they made you? Every time we see a rainbow, we can remember God’s promise and how God always keeps His promises. As you color the rainbow, think about some of God’s promises to us.

PRAY: God, thank You for always keeping your promises. Thank You also for rainbows, which are reminders of Your promise to Noah.
OLDER KIDS: Job 1:6-12,22
YOUNGER KIDS: Job 1:8-12,22
MEMORY VERSE: Genesis 1:27

EXPLAIN

- Satan thought Job followed God only because God protected Job from suffering.
- God allowed Satan to destroy Job’s belongings and harm his family.
- Sometimes God allows suffering, even when it is not caused by sin.
- Satan thought if he made Job suffer, Job would sin or blame God. But Job didn’t sin or blame God for his suffering.

APPLY

Has someone ever been mean to you for no reason? We do not always understand why bad things happen, but bad things are not always the consequences of sin. Talk with a parent about why we should obey God all the time. Discuss the following questions:

- Why do we obey God?
- What does the story of Job teach us?
- Is it easier or harder to obey God when things are going well?
- Is it easier or harder to obey God when things are going poorly?
- How can we choose to love and obey God no matter how we feel?

RESPOND

PRAY: Heavenly Father, help me not to sin when I go through times of suffering.
OLDER KIDS: Job 38:1-7
YOUNGER KIDS: Job 38:1-4
MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 11:8

Job was feeling sorry for himself and asked God why he was suffering. God answered him.

God reminded Job that He is the One who created the earth.

God continues this chapter by reminding Job that He created everything and knows everything.

Have you ever been surprised? God can’t be surprised! Nothing happens that God doesn’t know about. Because God created everything, He is in control of everything!

Sometimes we need to be reminded that even when we don’t understand what is going on, God is in control of everything. Write down or draw a picture of a time you were surprised or didn’t understand what was going on. Did God know what was happening? (Yes!)

PRAY: God, thank You for being in control of everything. Help me remember You are in control even when I’m surprised or don’t understand.
OLDER KIDS: Job 42:1-6,10
YOUNGER KIDS: Job 42:1-3,10
MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 11:8

EXPLAIN
- Job remembered God can do anything, and nothing can get in the way of His plans.
- Job saw for himself God’s grace and repented from his bad attitude toward suffering.
- God restored Job and blessed him with more than he had before.
- Have you ever felt like you were suffering and no one understood? Job felt that way, too. But after God finished talking, Job remembered God could do anything, and nothing can get in the way of His plans. Job understood God had been in control the whole time!

APPLY
After Job repented, God gave Job twice as many things as he had before and restored his family. Solve the puzzle to discover what Job remembered.

RESPOND
PRAY: God, thank You for being in control even when we suffer! Help me to remember that You are in charge and nothing can get in the way of Your plans.
OLDER KIDS: Genesis 12:1-5a  
YOUNGER KIDS: Genesis 12:1-3  
MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 11:8

**EXPLAIN**

- God told Abram to take his family, leave his home, and go to a new place.
- God made a promise to Abram: if Abram followed God, then He would make Abram’s name great and bless all the people of the world through him.
- Abram had faith in God, so he followed God’s instructions.
- Have your parents ever taken you on a surprise trip or vacation? You didn’t know where you were going until you got there, but your parents knew the whole time. Abram’s trip was like that—God knew where Abram was going, even though he didn’t. Abram had faith that God knew the destination.

**APPLY**

Abram followed God, even when he wasn’t sure where he would end up. Imagine what it might feel like to leave home without being sure of where you would end up. Work through the maze to see how Abram might have felt as he followed God’s instructions to leave his home.

**RESPOND**

**PRAY:** God, thank You for giving us instructions on how to follow You. Help me have faith as I follow Your instructions.
OLDER KIDS: Genesis 15:2-6
YOUNGER KIDS: Genesis 15:4-6
MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 11:8

God promised that Abram’s family would grow into a great nation, but Abram didn’t understand how this could happen because he didn’t have any kids.

God showed Abram the stars in the sky and said that he would have as many offspring as there were stars.

Abram believed God and had faith, or trusted, He would do what He said.

God showed Abram the stars and said that he would have as many offspring as the stars in the sky. Because Abram had faith in God, he believed Him, even though he and his wife Sarai were old and didn’t have kids yet.

Have you ever tried to count the stars? There are too many for us to count! Even though we can’t count the stars, God can. Draw what you think the sky might have looked like the night God showed Abram the stars.

PRAY: Heavenly Father, thank You for knowing the number of stars there are in the sky. Help me to have faith like Abram did, even when I don’t understand Your plan.
OLDER KIDS: Genesis 17:1-8
YOUNGER KIDS: Genesis 17:3-8
MEMORY VERSE: Hebrews 11:8

• God made a covenant (special promise) with Abram to make him the father of many nations.
• As part of His covenant, God changed Abram’s name to Abraham.
• God’s covenant was not just for Abraham, but for his future children, too.
• A covenant is a promise between two people or between a person and God. Through Jesus, God made a covenant to rescue us from sin. We can trust in God to keep His promises.

As part of God’s covenant, He changed Abram’s name to Abraham, which means “the father of a multitude.” Abraham’s new name was a reminder of God’s covenant. If you were to change your name as a reminder of God’s promises, which promise would you want to remember?

PRAY: Heavenly Father, thank You for always keeping Your promises.