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WHAT'S IN THE BIBLE?





DVD 1: In the Beginning

Family Study Guide

Key Bible Passages:

Episode 1

1. Table of Contents

- Follow along with Sunday School Lady as she walks kids through the 66 books in the Protestant Bible. Discuss as a family the difference between the Old Testament and the New Testament.

Episode 2

1. Creation

- Genesis 1:1-31

2. The Story of Adam and Eve

- Genesis 3:1-21

The Synopsis of Creation as taken from Genesis 1- 2:3

(you can read this, or read from the Bible of your choice)

In the beginning of time there was only God. There was nothing else. There were no plants or living creatures living on the Earth. In fact there was no Earth, Sun, or moon! There was just our mighty God.

When God created life, He spoke and His amazing glory filled the vast darkness with all the beautiful creation we can even today see around us. Look outside. Every plant in your yard; every butterfly and bird; every little snail and creepy little spider was created by God.

God created a place to put everything that was part of His plan, and called it space. He created the place we live, called Earth. Darkness still lingered until God spoke, and light was created. He separated the light from the darkness and called the light day and the darkness night.

On the Earth, God spoke and separated the waters, and in doing this He created the skies. He spoke and created the oceans and dry land. All the plants, trees, fish, birds, and land animals.

The Bible tells us that on the last day of creation, God made man, in His own image. Man and woman were created to care for the Earth and communicate, in loving relationship, with God.

God was pleased. He saw that His work was Good. The Bible says that after God created, He rested. God blessed this time of rest and called it Holy.

Questions to discuss with your family:

1. Why did God have to create everything?

(possible answer:) God did not HAVE to create, He CHOSE to create. God is love and love is best expressed when it is shared. God loves His creation. He loves us each of us so much!! He wanted to create a beautiful place for us to live and He wanted to create man, with whom to share this creation.

2. How long did it really take God to create the world?

(possible answer :) There are two thoughts about this. One, is that God created the world in six-24 hour days to create the world, and then rested on the seventh day. The other possible answer is that God created the world, but in an indefinite period of time (maybe millions of years).

The Bible is not specific about how long these time periods were. The important thing is that GOD CREATED the world. He did so in a specific order, ending with man, who is the only one of His creations with the ability to choose to love and communicate with Him. It is important to note that however long it took God to create, it was all His plan.

3. If we all look different, how are we made in God's image?

(possible answer:) God doesn't have a body like we do, so we don't look like God on the outside. Since God is the Almighty Creator, we will never be totally "like" Him. He did create us to reflect part of His character in the way we have the ability to love, forgive, show kindness, compassion, and desire a loving relationship with Him just like He desires a loving relationship with us.

Because we are made in God's image, and reflect His character, we need to remember that we are all special to God. We shouldn't put ourselves down or talk badly about others. We are all made in God's wonderful image.

Pray with your family.