

God's Creation

Read and Explain God's Word

1. Read Genesis 1:1-2:3, then discuss these questions;
 - a. What is the title of this passage in the Bible?
 - b. Who are the main characters in this passage?
 - c. Who was there at the beginning of time? (vv.1,2)
 - d. What did God make on the first day? How did he make it? (vv.3-5)
 - e. What did God make on the second day? How did He make it? (vv.6-8)
 - f. What did God make on the third day? How did He make it? (vv.9-13)
 - g. What did God make on the fourth day? How did He make it? (vv. 14-19)
 - h. What did God make on the fifth day? How did He make it? (vv.20-23)
 - i. What did God make on the sixth day? How did He make it? (vv.24-31)

Show God's Word

1. What is the coolest thing you have ever made? What was it? How did you make it?
2. God made the whole world just by speaking. What does John 1:1-3 tell us about His Word?
 - a. Who is the Word?
 - b. Was Jesus with God and the Holy Spirit in the beginning? (Hint: John 1:2)
 - c. Was Jesus part of creating everything in the heavens and the world? (Hint: John 1:3, Colossians 1:16)
3. God used words to make the whole world. What are some ways we can use words to praise Him? (Hint: Hebrews 13:15, Psalm 100:1)

Apply God's Word

4. God is still creating, and He even makes us a new creation– He gives us the power to obey and love Him when we believe in Jesus Christ as our saviour. Have you accepted Jesus as your Saviour and become a new creation in Him?
5. As new creations in Christ we can thank Him for everything He has created in the heavens, earth, and in us. What is one big thing and one small thing you can thank God for today? Take some time now to pray and thank God for these things!
6. One of the greatest ways we can grow in thankfulness to God for everything He has done is to read His Word. The more we know God's Word, the better we can live out God's Word! Use the Grow Up In Christ planner and schedule the time you need to spend time with Jesus. Remember- as you get close to Him, He will get close to you and give you the strength you need to live faithfully! Share your plan with your family, friends, and the Hope Kids team (hkids@hopeottawa.ca)

7. Take time this week to memorize Colossians 1:16 to remember that God made everything on earth and in heaven. *“For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.”*

8. In order to become a new creation in Christ, we have to know Him! To become a new creation in Jesus, we have to believe that Jesus is the Son of God and the only Saviour. God sent His only Son, Jesus, to come to earth and die for our sins, so we can be saved and have a personal relationship with Him. To accept this gift from God, we must believe that Jesus died for us so that we can be God’s child too. We first must repent of our sin (turn away from it) and believe in Jesus as our Lord and Saviour. When we do this, we put our faith in Him as our Lord and Saviour. If you want to begin a personal relationship with Him, and put your faith in Him alone, all you need to do is;
 - A_____ (Admit) that you have done wrong and ask God to forgive you for disobeying Him.
 - B_____ (Believe) that God sent Jesus to take the punishment for your sin. Trust that you are forgiven because Jesus made you right with God.
 - C_____ (Choose) to spend your whole life depending on God’s power to help you say no to sin, and to worship God only. Rely on God to help you tell others that God is your leader and the most important person in your life.