

Lesson 1: God Creates the World

Text: Genesis 1:1–2:3

Date Used: _____

Key Point: God made the world in six days by the power of His Word. All creation is God’s blessing to us.

Law/Gospel: God requires that I believe that He is the only true God, the Creator and Sustainer of the world. **God gives me faith to believe that He created the earth and heavens, and He continues to provide me with all that I need to sustain this body and life, including forgiveness of my sins through His Son, Jesus Christ.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “Builder of Everything,” Track 1; “Wonderfully Yours,” Track 2; “God, Who Built This Wondrous Planet,” Track 4.

Bible Challenge Question: God created all of the planets in our solar system. What are their names? **Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune (Pluto is now considered a dwarf planet)**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** Builder of Everything, Track 3
Thy Strong Word, Track 20
God's Creation, Track 8

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** God Creates the World

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** God's Good Creation Yo-Yo

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Where Did That Come From?

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Worlds of Creativity

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Service Project:** Caring for the World God Made

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 2: God Creates Adam and Eve

Text: Genesis 1:26–2:25

Date Used: _____

Key Point: God has made us in His image, provides all things for our good, and makes us rulers over the earth and everything in it.

Law/Gospel: God appoints me as a caretaker of His creation and expects me to take care of it for His glory and the good of others. **God provides me with all good things for this life and forgives me for Jesus' sake when I put myself above Him and His creation or when I misuse or neglect my vocation to rule the earth properly.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “God Made Me,” Track 5; Sing “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It,” Track 8; “Wonderfully Yours,” Track 2.

Bible Challenge Question: What were the names of the first people? **Adam and his wife, Eve**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** The Tree of Life, Track 19
Psalm 139:14, Track 17
God, Who Built This Wondrous Planet, Track 7

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** God Creates Adam and Eve

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Salt Dough Handprint

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Healthy Food; Healthy Bodies

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Litterbugs

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 3: Sin Enters the World

Text: Genesis 3

Date Used: _____

Key Point: Through Adam, sin spreads to all people. Through Christ, God offers forgiveness to all people.

Law/Gospel: Because I sin, I will die. **God sent His Son, Jesus, to crush sin, death, and the devil, and through Him, God forgives my sins and gives me eternal life.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “Thy Strong Word,” Track 6; “God Made Me,” Track 5; “I Shall Dwell in the House of the Lord Forever,” Track 9.

Bible Challenge Question: What is original sin? *Luther’s Small Catechism with Explanation* says, “Original sin is that total corruption of our whole human nature which we have inherited from Adam through our parents.”

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** The Tree of Life, Track 19
I Am Sorry, Jesus, Track 12
God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It, Track 9

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Sin Enters the World

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Pipe Cleaner Tree

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Crushing Sin

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Dead in Adam; Alive in Jesus

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 4: Cain and Abel

Text: Genesis 4:1–16

Date Used: _____

Key Point: Even though Cain sinned, God still loved and preserved him. Even though we sin, God, in Christ, still loves and preserves us.

Law/Gospel: I sin when I trust myself or my own deeds to please God. **God loves me and sent His Son, Jesus, to be the perfect sacrifice for my sin. Through faith in Him, I am marked as God’s child and receive His gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It,” Track 8; “God Made Me,” Track 5; “I Shall Dwell in the House of the Lord Forever,” Track 9.

Bible Challenge Question: What are the names of the first brothers mentioned in the Bible? **Cain and Abel**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** From All That Dwell Below the Skies, Track 4
I Am Sorry, Jesus, Track 12
I Shall Dwell in the House of the LORD Forever, Track 13

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Cain and Abel

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Mark of Forgiveness

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Marks of Mercy

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Marked by God

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 5: Noah and the Flood

Text: Genesis 6:1–9:17

Date Used: _____

Key Point: In the flood, God destroyed sinful people. God’s Son, Jesus, destroyed sin, once and for all, through His death and resurrection to give life to sinful people.

Law/Gospel: God used water in a flood to drown sinful mankind. **In Baptism, God uses water to drown my sins, granting me eternal life through His Son, Jesus.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “Builder of Everything,” Track 1; “Wonderfully Yours,” Track 2; “Animals, Come on Board,” Track 7.

Bible Challenge Question: True or false? Noah was six hundred years old when the flood began. **True. See Genesis 7:11.**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It, Track 9
At Home with You Forever, Track 2
Lord Jesus, Think on Me, Track 15

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Noah and the Flood

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Flying Rainbow Ball

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Wash It Clean!

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Washing My Sins Away

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 6: God's Covenant with Abram

Text: Genesis 12:1–9; 15:1–6; 17

Date Used: _____

Key Point: God chose Abram (Abraham) and gave him faith to trust His promises to save His people. God gives us faith in Jesus, our Savior.

Law/Gospel: In my sin, I doubt that God can do what He promises and do not trust Him. **God in His mercy carries out His promises and gives me faith in and through Jesus to trust Him.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “Animals, Come on Board,” Track 7; “At Home with You Forever,” Track 10; “Wonderfully Yours,” Track 2.

Bible Challenge Question: True or false? (1) Abraham’s name was originally Abram. **True. God changed his name (Genesis 17:5).**
(2) Sarah’s name was originally Sarai. True. **God changed her name (Genesis 17:15).**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** Builder of Everything, Track 3
God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It, Track 9
Here I Stand, Track 10

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** God's Covenant with Abram

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Glow-in-the-Dark Salvation Stars

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Popping Our Doubt

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** God Really Means It!

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 7: Abraham's Visitors from Heaven

Text: Genesis 18:1–15; 21:1–7

Date Used: _____

Key Point: God came to Abraham with the promise of a son. Abraham's descendant, our Lord Jesus, comes to us in Word and Sacraments, telling us that in Him all things are possible.

Law/Gospel: I sin by doubting God's Word and promises, thinking He cannot do what He says. **As God's child, I have nothing to fear because God is faithful and His Word is true. He has kept His promise to send His Son, Jesus, to be my Savior, and through Him, He gives me the joy of His salvation.**

To bring:

Engage

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: "Animals, Come on Board," Track 7; "The Church's One Foundation/Christ Is Our Cornerstone Medley," Track 11; "I Shall Dwell in the House of the Lord Forever," Track 9.

Bible Challenge Question: True or false? Abraham was one hundred years old and Sarah was ninety years old when God promised to give them a baby. **True. See Genesis 17:17.**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____ Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** God Is with Me, Track 6
God Is So Good, Track 5
Psalm 139:14, Track 17

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Abraham's Visitors from Heaven

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** All Saints' Photo Stand

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Joy of Our Salvation

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** The Bread of Kindness

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 8: Abraham and Isaac

Text: Genesis 21:1–7; 22:1–19

Date Used: _____

Key Point: God provided a ram as a sacrifice for Abraham and Isaac. He provides the perfect sacrifice for our sin: His Son, Jesus, the Lamb of God.

Law/Gospel: God requires a payment for my sin. **God sent His own Son, Jesus, to be sacrificed in payment for my sin.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “Builder of Everything,” Track 1; “God Is So Good,” Track 12; “The Church’s One Foundation/Christ Is Our Cornerstone Medley,” Track 11.

Bible Challenge Question: What does the name *Isaac* mean? “He laughs.” Remember, both Abraham and Sarah laughed when God promised to give them a son in their old age (Genesis 17:17; 18:12).

Notes: _____

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes: _____

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes: _____

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes: _____

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** Builder of Everything, Track 3
John 1:29, Track 14
God Is with Me, Track 6

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Abraham and Isaac

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Rain Treasure Keeper

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Pay the Price

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** "Foreshadowing Christ" Story Shadows

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 9: Isaac and Rebekah

Text: Genesis 24

Date Used: _____

Key Point: God worked His plan of salvation through the lives of Isaac and Rebekah. God’s plan for our salvation is fulfilled through Jesus, their descendant.

Law/Gospel: God wants me to trust Him for all that I need. **God provides all that I need and gives me forgiveness, life, and salvation through His Son.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “God Is So Good,” Track 12; “At Home with You Forever,” Track 10; “God, Who Built This Wondrous Planet,” Track 4.

Bible Challenge Question: Choose all the ways to travel from this list that did not exist in Bible times: donkey, walking, airplane, camel, wagon, car, motorcycle. **Airplane, car, motorcycle**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** God, Who Built This Wondrous Planet, Track 7
Here I Stand, Track 10
Romans 8:28, Track 18

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Isaac and Rebekah

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Family Water Cup

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** "Steadfast Love" Muffins

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Charting Our Blessings

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 10: Jacob and Esau

Text: Genesis 25:19–34; 27:1–40

Date Used: _____

Key Point: God worked through Jacob and Esau, despite their sin, to advance His plan of salvation. In spite of our sinful actions, God accomplishes His will and plan for our lives.

Law/Gospel: God does not want me to lie and deceive others, but to trust Him and follow His way. **Because of His Son, Jesus, God forgives all my sins and promises to work all things together for my good.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “I Shall Dwell in the House of the Lord Forever,” Track 9; “Builder of Everything,” Track 1; “The Church’s One Foundation/Christ Is Our Cornerstone Medley,” Track 11.

Bible Challenge Question: What were the names of the twins born to Rebekah and Isaac? **Jacob and Esau**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** I Am Sorry, Jesus, Track 12
Psalm 50:15, Track 16
Romans 8:28, Track 18

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Jacob and Esau

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Napkin Rings

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Blessed to Be Forgiven

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Filtering Out the Bad

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 11: Jacob's Dream

Text: Genesis 27:41–28:22

Date Used: _____

Key Point: God revealed the certainty of His presence now and forever to Jacob in a dream. God reveals Himself and His plan of salvation for us in His Word and Sacraments. We respond with praise and worship.

Law/Gospel: I sin when I think God does not care for me or has left me alone. **God promises in His Word never to leave me. His gracious love for me, revealed through His Son, Jesus, moves my heart to worship and praise Him.**

To bring:

Engage

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: “God, Who Built This Wondrous Planet,” Track 4; “Thy Strong Word,” Track 6; “God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It,” Track 8.

Bible Challenge Question: True or false? When Jacob ran away from the trouble he caused with his brother, he stayed in a Holiday Inn overnight. **False. Hotels as we know them did not exist in Bible times.**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

To bring:

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** How Firm a Foundation, Track 11
Alleluia to Jesus, Track 1
I Shall Dwell in the House of the LORD Forever, Track 13

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Jacob's Dream

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Jacob's Ladder Notebook

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Tall Ladders

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Heavenly Staircase

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 12: Jacob's Family

Text: Genesis 29:1–30:24

Date Used: _____

Key Point: Through Jacob's family, God brought forth the Savior, Jesus Christ, who endured lies, deception, and the schemes of sinful mankind to work our salvation on the cross.

Law/Gospel: I sin when I lie or deceive others. **In spite of my sin, God blesses me with my family and all that I need and forgives me for the sake of His own Son, Jesus.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: "God Is So Good," Track 12; "Thy Strong Word," Track 6; "At Home with You Forever," Track 10.

Bible Challenge Question: How many years did Jacob work under Laban?

- a) 14 years
- b) 20 years
- c) 40 years
- d) 18 years

b) 20 years; see Genesis 31:41.

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** God Is So Good, Track 5

John 1:29, Track 14

At Home with You Forever, Track 2

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Jacob's Family

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Family Well

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Deceptively Sweet

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Stacking Up the Years

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Service Project:** Service Coupons

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

*If applicable

Lesson 13: Esau Forgives Jacob

Text: Genesis 31:3; 32–33

Date Used: _____

Key Point: Though Jacob was sinful and deceived his brother, God preserved his life and reconciled him with his brother, Esau. Through His Son, God preserves our lives. Jesus overcame sin and death on the cross to win our forgiveness, life, and salvation.

Law/Gospel: Broken families and failed friendships are the result of sin. **Jesus' forgiveness restores my broken relationship with God and can heal my broken earthly relationships as well.**

To bring:

Engage

Approximate time: _____

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Suggested Songs: "God Made Me," Track 5; "The Church's One Foundation/Christ Is Our Cornerstone Medley," Track 11; "God Is So Good," Track 12.

Bible Challenge Question: True or false? Jacob was renamed Israel by God. **True. See Genesis 32:28.**

Notes:

To bring:

Explore

Approximate time: _____

Level 1 (Grades 1–3)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Level 2 (Grades 4–6)

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

Adult Bible Study

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

To bring:

Express Options (Choose 2 or more!)

Approximate
times:

Slot 1:

Slot 2:

Slot 3*:

Slot 4*:

Slot 5*:

Slot 6*:

- Music:** I Am Sorry, Jesus, Track 12
Psalm 50:15, Track 16
God Is with Me, Track 6

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Skit:** Esau Forgives Jacob

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Craft:** Traveling Tent

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Food Activity:** Forgiveness Is Sweet

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes:

- Group Activity:** Esau, May I?

Location: _____

Leader(s): _____

Notes: