Lesson 15

Creation: Adam and Eve

God created Adam and Eve.



Review

- ? Refer to Lesson 14 Flip Chart. We've been talking a lot about God's creation. Who remembers what God created on day five of creation week? Flying and swimming creatures.
- ? Yes. And how about day six? Land animals and people.
- ? The Bible tells us that man is different from animals. What makes man different? Allow discussion.
 - Man is created in God's image. No animal was created that way! That means we are different from animals. We can think, write, play games, read, and do lots of things animals can't do.
- ? There is one very special thing that makes man different from animals. What is that? Allow discussion.
- ? God did something very special for all people. He made a way for us to live with him forever in heaven. Who did God send to earth? Jesus.

Yes! The Bible tells us that God the Father sent his Son, Jesus who died on the cross to take the punishment for sin. And then he rose again from the dead. All who turn away from their sins and turn to Jesus and trust in him can be forgiven and become children of God. They can go to heaven when they die and be with God forever!

God Creates Adam

Today I'm going to try to create a person of my own. Connect the two large marshmallows together with a pretzel stick. This will be his head. And I'll attach it to the body.

- **?** Now what does he need? Some legs and arms. Insert four pretzel sticks into the "body" marshmallow.
- **?** What else does he need? Allow answers. Eyes, ears, mouth, nose, feet, hands, etc.
- ? Wow! He needs a lot of things to be a person, doesn't he? I'll never be able to create a real person, will I? No!
- ? Of course not. Who is the only one that can create people? *God!*
- ? That's right. God is omnipotent. Only he can create everything, including people. Who were the very first people? What were their names? Adam and Eve.
- Put how did God create Adam and Eve? Did he use marshmallows and pretzels like I did? No!
- ? So where should we look to find out exactly how God created them? In the Bible.

Genesis 2:7

- ? Who has the Bible? Please bring it up. We are going to read from God's Word now. Make this a special time as the student brings the Bible and opens it to where the sticky note is.
- I am going to read Genesis 2:7. This tells us how God created Adam! Read Genesis 2:7 enthusiastically.
- Poid you hear that? What did God use to create Adam? The dust from the ground.

Refer to the Lesson Flip Chart. That's right. The Bible says that God formed the man out of dust from the ground! And guess what? I brought some dust from the ground outside my house. Look at this. Open container of dirt to show.

This is all God used to make the very first man! That's pretty amazing. God created Adam from the dust of the ground.

But wait, that's not all. The Bible says God did something else. I'm going to read Genesis 2:7 again. You listen and tell me what else God did to create Adam. Reread the verse emphasizing "breathed into his nostrils" and the "breath of life."

? What else did God do? Allow answers. God breathed into him, and he came to life.

Yes. God breathed into Adam, and he came alive. Let's see what would happen if I breathed on this dirt. Breathe gently into the container.

Huh. Nothing but a lot of dust. Only God could ever create something from dirt and breathe life into it. And that's how the Bible says God did it!

God Creates Eve

What about Eve? You might think God made the first woman the same way he made Adam—with dirt and his breath. But he didn't!

Genesis 2:21

Let's see what God did in Genesis 2:21! Read the verse emphasizing "deep sleep."

- ? What did God make Adam do? Fall asleep.
- Then what did God do while Adam was in a deep sleep? Took one of his ribs.

While Adam was sleeping soundly, God took one of his ribs right out of his side and then closed it all up perfectly! Now, a rib is a bone in your side. You might have been tickled in the ribs before. You can feel your ribs right here. Show the students where the ribs are located. Let them feel their own ribs.

Genesis 2:22

- Put what was God going to do with that rib he took from Adam? Let's find out! Read Genesis 2:22.
- ? Did you hear it? What did God do with the rib from Adam's side? He made a woman!

That's right. God made a woman for Adam. Her name was Eve! God created her from Adam's rib bone. And all of this happened on day six of creation week.

God is amazing and powerful! Only he could have created people. And he did it in a very special way!

God's Plan for Marriage

What did God do with Eve after he made her? Reread Genesis 2:22. Brought her to the man.

That's right. God brought Eve to the man and gave her to Adam.

How many of you have ever been to a wedding? Show of hands. Allow discussion.

A wedding is a celebration when a man and a woman are married. They make a promise to be together forever. They are joined together as husband and wife.

And you know what? This verse we just read in Genesis was the very first wedding! God

- brought Eve to Adam, and they were married. They became the first husband and wife.
- ? Now, who made Adam and Eve? God.
- ? And who gave Eve to Adam? God.

That's right. This shows us what God's idea for marriage is—one man and one woman together for life!

So, who were the first married people? Adam and Fve.

Yes! God's plan is that when a man and a woman get married, they stay married all of their lives. But the world is a sad place, and people sin. Many couples don't stay married—they get divorced. But that's not how God planned it. His plan for marriage is for one man and one woman to be married for life. He showed us that when he created Adam and Eve.

We Are Not Animals

- So, did God make people just like the animals?
 No!
- ? Show the dirt you brought. Refer to the Flip Chart. What did God do when he made Adam and Eve? God formed Adam from dust, breathed life into him, and made Eve from Adam's rib!
- ? And in whose image were they made? They were made in God's image.

God made Adam and Eve in a very special way. God says in the Bible that he made them in his image. No animal was made that way. Man is not like a dinosaur, monkey, giraffe, or a horse.

But there are many people who don't believe what the Bible says. They don't believe God made the first man and woman the way the Bible tells us. They believe in an idea called evolution. That means they think people used to be animals, and over millions of years, they changed into humans.

- ? How many of you have heard something like that before? Show of hands.
- ? A lot of people talk about evolution, but is that what God says in the Bible? No!

No. The Bible says we are not animals and we never have been. We were created in the image of the one true, omnipotent God.

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