

### **Open It!**

When have you experienced the satisfaction of a job well done?  
What was the accomplishment? What words would you use to describe how you felt?

### **Read It!**

Genesis 1:1-2:3

### **Discuss It!**

What did God create to fill the earth from first to last before mankind?

1:11-13

1:14-18

1:20-23

1:24-25

What repeated phrases do you discover in these verses? What does God want us to understand about our world from these repeated statements?

What is the significance of the phrase "each according to its kind?"

What do we learn about the purpose of the lights God created to govern the day and night (1:14-18)?

### **Live It!**

Adoration. Lord, I am in awe of you. You spoke and...

Confession. Lord, I confess that I failed to listen to You...

Thanksgiving. Lord, I give thanks that You sustained...

Supplication. Lord, I ask you to speak on behalf of...

### **Understanding Our Story from the Beginning**

*Creation: Filling the Earth*

Genesis 1:11-25

Sunday, January 18, 2026

### **Sermon Sentence**

God's word is powerful. God creates and sustains all things by His powerful word.

### **God's Word Is Powerful**

Isaiah 55:10-11

### **God spoke and filled the earth with vegetation**

Genesis 1:11-13

**God spoke and filled the heavens with lights**

Genesis 1:14-19

**God spoke and filled the earth with living creatures**

Genesis 1:24-25

**God spoke and filled the waters and the sky**

Genesis 1:20-23

**God speaks sustaining all things by His powerful word**

*For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.*

Colossians 1:16–17 (NIV)

*The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.*

Hebrews 1:3 (NIV)