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Genesis 1:1-1:13

# Bible Biography

## In the Beginning

Have you ever wondered how the world got here?

Did you ever ask, “Who made it?” or “How was it made?” The very first book in the Bible, the book of Genesis, tells us what happened.

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. *Created* means “made from nothing.”

At first, the earth had no shape and nothing lived on it. Water was everywhere. Can you think of a place without trees or animals or people? It was very quiet and dark.

On the first day, God said to let there be light, and there was light! God saw that the light was good. He called the light “day,” and He called the darkness “night.”

Aren’t you glad God created the daytime? If it was always night, we couldn’t see which way to go, and we might feel scared.

On the second day, God said to let there be a sky. And the sky appeared just as God said.

Look outside right now. Can you see the big, blue sky? What if there was no sky? We wouldn’t be able to see clouds or stars or rainbows. Birds and planes would have no place to fly.

On the third day, God said to let the waters come together and let dry ground appear. God called the dry ground “land” (or “earth”), and He called the waters “seas.” And God saw that this was good.

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### Read-together Option:

Go outside or look out a window while you read, so you can see God’s creation. Use binoculars for extra fun! Or look at a nature book together.

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Later on the third day, God said to let the land grow all kinds of plants and trees with their different seeds and fruits.



So up from the ground sprang all kinds of plants!

Daisies, daffodils, lilacs and lilies, with pine trees, palm trees, red oaks and hickories.

Bright flowers of purple, pink and green, with leafy-branched trees, tall and lean.

And those fruits and veggies started to poke: like green beans, apples and an artichoke!

And God saw that all the plants and trees were good.

God is the Creator of everything in the world. In the first three days, He created the light, the sky, the land, the seas, and all the plants and trees. God did this all by Himself. He didn't need anyone or anything to help Him.



Our God is so great and powerful! All He had to do was speak words and everything was made.



**What I need to remember about God our Creator:**

- God is the Creator of the whole world.
- God created (made) the world from nothing.



Where this fits in the Bible:

**God creates the world.**

This is the very first thing that happens in the Bible. This is the beginning of the whole world.

## You say it!



**Genesis 1:1**  
**In the beginning**  
**God created**  
**The heavens and the earth.**

**To finish this section:**

- Say Genesis 1:1.



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 Green Jewel 1:2 completed.

Date

**Created –**  
 made from nothing

Sin enters the world.

God tells Noah to build an ark to get ready for the flood.

God saves the Israelites from slavery.

The Israelites walk in the desert for 40 years.

The Israelites live in Canaan, God's Promised Land.