

God Made Everything

BIBLE STORY

Genesis 1:1 – 2:3

BIG IDEA

God made everything, and it is good.

TIME

About 60 minutes

MEMORY VERSE | Genesis 1:1

WEB: "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

KJV: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."

Use the translation your church prefers. Ages 3-5: learn just "God created" with a big arm motion.

Before class (5 minutes)

Print one coloring page, the 2 craft templates and one parent page per child. Set out the craft supplies. Open your Bible to Genesis 1.

1. Welcome (5 min)

As kids arrive, ask each one: **"What is your favorite thing in the whole world?"** Make a quick list on paper or a whiteboard. You will use it in the story.

2. Tell the story (10 min)

Count the days on your fingers as you go. Kids repeat after you: **"And God saw that it was good!"**

- **Day 1:** Light. (Kids cover their eyes, then open them.)
- **Day 2:** Sky and water. (Wave arms like waves.)
- **Day 3:** Land, plants and trees. (Stand tall like a tree.)
- **Day 4:** Sun, moon and stars. (Twinkle fingers.)
- **Day 5:** Fish and birds. (Swim hands, flap arms.)
- **Day 6:** Animals and people. (Animal sounds, then point to each other.)
- **Day 7:** God rested. (Everyone sits down and takes a deep breath.)

Say: "Remember our favorite things list? God made every one of them. And on day 6, God made people, and that means you. You are part of what God called very good."

3. Talk about it (10 min)

Ages 3-5 What did God make? Can you point to something God made?

Ages 6-8 What did God say about everything He made? Why do you think He rested?

Ages 9-12 If God made everything good, how should we treat the world and the people in it?

4. Activities and craft (25 min)

Split into age groups using the activity page. Then everyone makes the craft together, with big kids helping little ones.

5. Close (5 min)

Pray together: **"Thank You, God, for making everything good, and for making me. Amen."** Send the coloring page, verse card and parent page home.



Pick the Level That Fits

LITTLE ONES | Ages 3–5

Creation Walk (10 min)

- Walk around the room or outside together.
- Each time a child finds something God made (a leaf, a hand, the sky through the window), the group cheers: “God made it good!”
- Count how many things you found together.

Needs: nothing

MIDDLE KIDS | Ages 6–8

The 7 Days Match-Up (10 min)

- Write the numbers 1 to 7 on separate sheets of paper and spread them on the floor.
- Call out a thing God made (“fish!”, “stars!”). Kids run and stand on the right day.
- Last round: call “people!” and everyone runs to 6. Ask: “What did God say about day 6?” (Very good!)

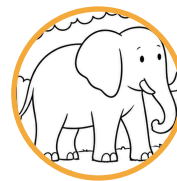
Needs: 7 sheets of paper, 1 marker

BIG KIDS | Ages 9–12

Very Good Detectives (15 min)

- In pairs, read Genesis 1 and find every time the Bible says “God saw that it was good.” (Answer: 7, with “very good” in verse 31.)
- Discuss: What changed on day 6 that made it “very good”?
- Each pair writes one way they can take care of something God made this week, and shares it with the class.

Needs: Bibles, paper and pencils



My Creation Wheel

YOU NEED (per child)

- The 2 template pages (next pages)
- Crayons or markers
- Child-safe scissors
- 1 brass paper fastener (brad)
- A pencil, to poke the center hole

5 supplies. Tip: print the templates on cardstock so the wheel turns easily. A box of 100 brads costs a few dollars.

Steps

1. Color the 7 days on the wheel page.
2. Cut out the big wheel along the thick black circle.
3. On the cover page, color the animals and write your name. Cut out the cover circle.
4. Cut out the window on the cover (the shape with the dashed line). A grown-up can start the cut.
5. Put the cover on top of the wheel. Poke a pencil through both centers, then push the brad through and open its legs in the back.
6. Turn the wheel and tell the story: **"On day 1, God made light..."**

By age

- **Ages 3–5:** Cut out the circles and the window before class. Kids color. Keep brads with the teacher: an adult adds the brad for this age.
- **Ages 6–8:** Kids cut out the circles. A helper cuts the window and adds the brad.
- **Ages 9–12:** Kids make the whole wheel, then use it to tell the 7 days to a younger child.

Talk while you work

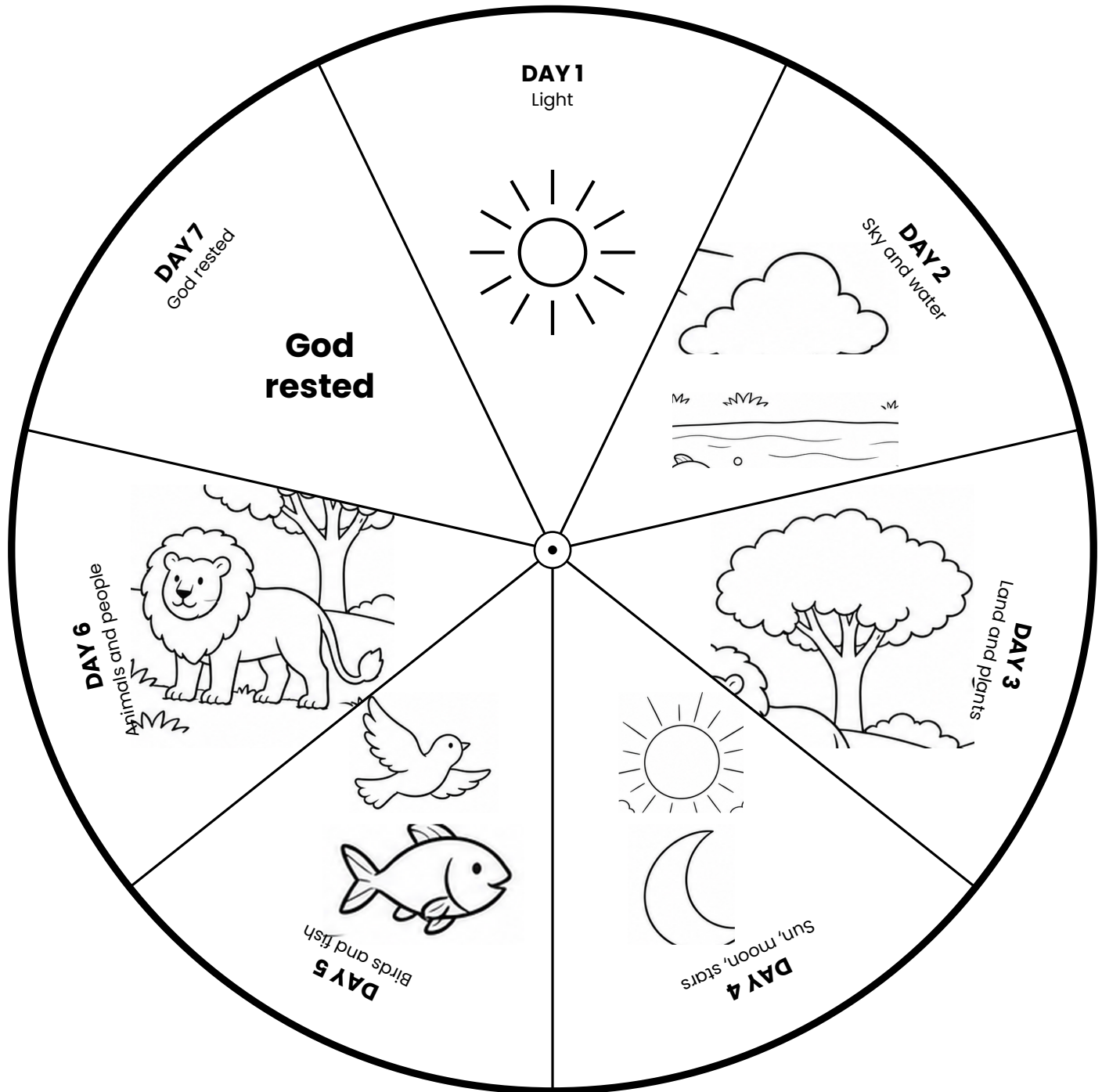
"Which day is your favorite? What did God say about everything He made?"

Take it home

Kids take the wheel home and use it to tell the Creation story to their family.

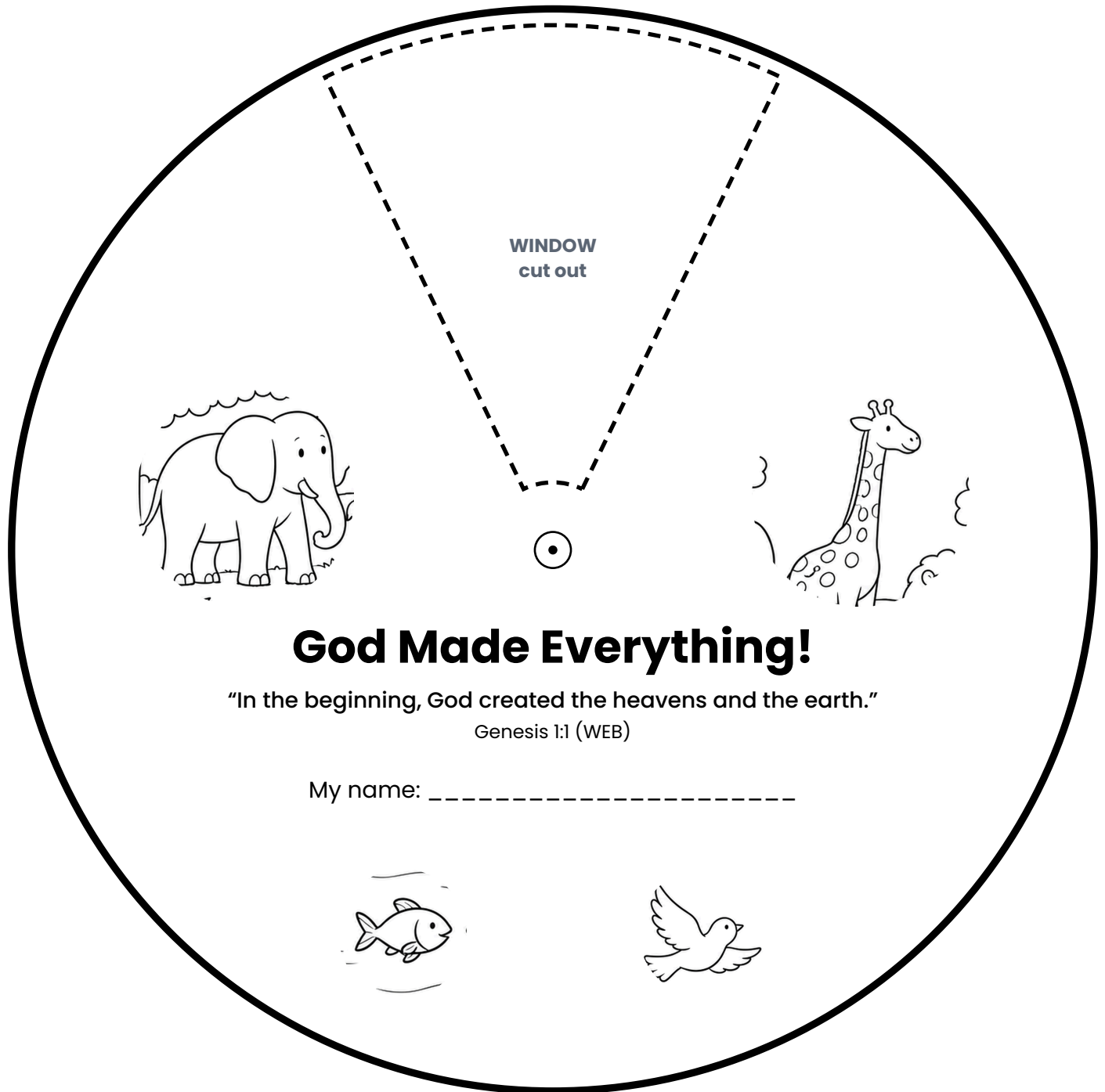
The Wheel: 7 Days

Color each day. Cut along the thick black circle.



The Wheel Cover

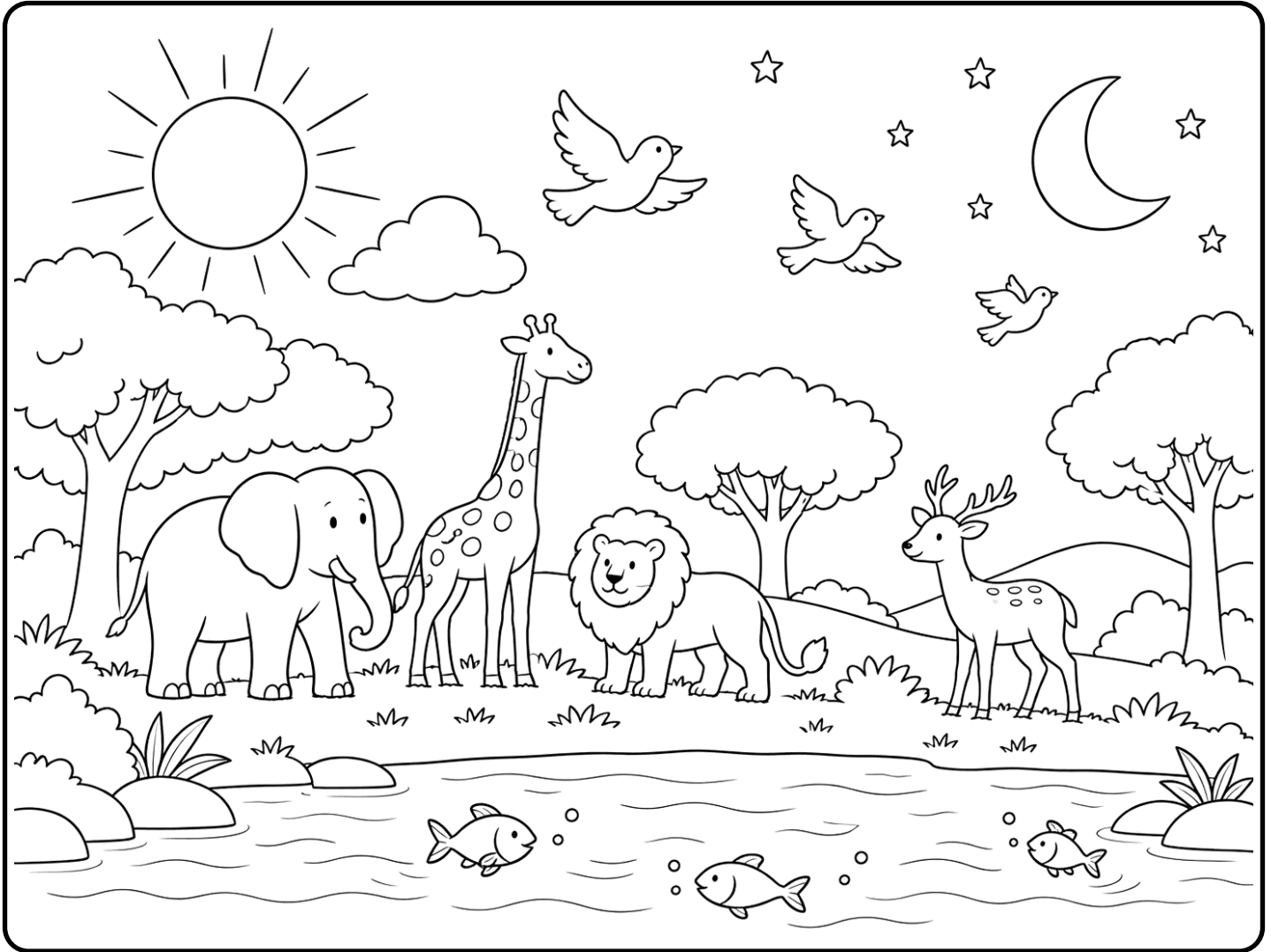
Color, cut along the thick circle, then cut out the window on the dashed line.



God Made Everything!

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

Genesis 1:1 (WEB)



My name: _____

Draw one more thing God made:



Dear Parents: What We Learned

Today's Bible story: **God Made Everything** (Genesis 1:1 - 2:3)

In six days God made light, the sky and the sea, the land and plants, the sun, moon and stars, fish and birds, and animals and people. Each day, God saw that what He made was good. When He made people, He said it was *very good*. On the seventh day God rested.

The big idea

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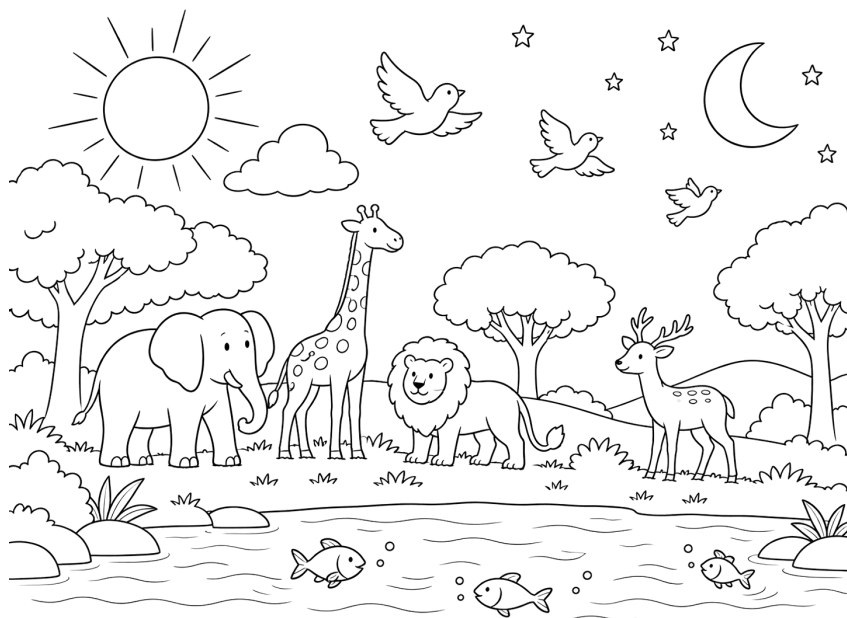
- What did God make on the day you liked best?
- What did God say about everything He made?
- What is one way our family can take care of something God made this week?

Try this together

At a meal this week, take turns naming one thing God made and saying "Thank You, God!" Ask your child to tell you the story with the Creation Wheel they made today.

Pray together

"Thank You, God, for making everything good, and for making me. Amen."





Cut Out and Take Home

Cut on the dashed lines. Top cards: World English Bible (WEB). Bottom cards: King James (KJV).



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