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Introduction

This book is a fantastic resource for parents, teachers and Sunday school teachers! It is filled with a wonderful variety of Bible stories and exciting activities that accompany them.

Young children will have a marvellous time learning about Adam, Noah, Moses, Ruth, Esther, Jesus, Saul and so many more Bible characters! After hearing each Bible story featured, the children will engage in such stimulating activities as making puppets, creating footprints with paint, constructing wind socks, connecting dots, using codes to colour, completing mazes and finding hidden pictures.

The book is divided into twenty-six mini-units, each featuring a letter of the alphabet. Each mini-unit contains the following components:

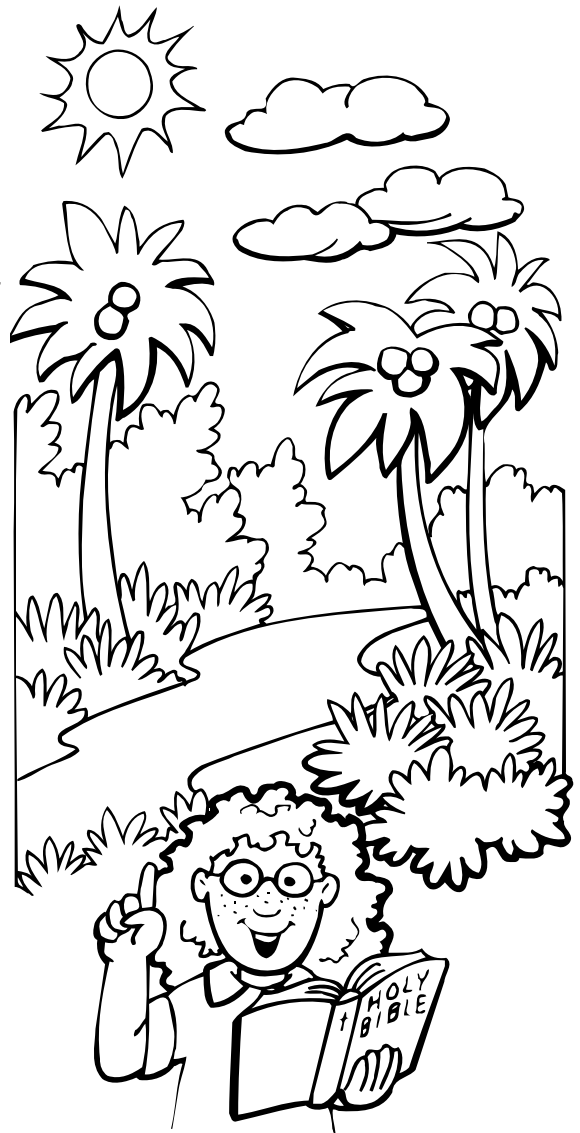
- A Bible story and questions for discussion
- A craft
- A prayer
- A snack idea
- A take-home story
- An alphabet page
- An activity page

The take-home stories are a wonderful way for children to share God's Word with their families. They also enable parents to discuss the Bible stories and characters with their children. If you wish, you can have the children create front and back covers for their books using paper, paint, textas and other art supplies.

On page 143 is an Alphabet Quilt Recording Page. Make a copy of the quilt page for each child. Children will enjoy colouring in the squares of the quilt as they complete the lessons from A to Z.

Also, on page 144 is a blank journal page. Copies of the journal page can be used for such things as art projects, writing activities, parent newsletters, and classroom awards.

This book truly provides you with an easy way to help the children in your care learn all about God's Word in a fun and creative way!



A

Adam in the Garden

Adam was the first person God created. God created Adam on the sixth day of creation – after He had created the land and seas, the sun, moon, stars, plants, trees, birds, fish and animals.

Adam was very special to God. God loved him very much. God put Adam in a beautiful garden. Adam was very happy in the garden. God and Adam had a very special relationship.

God gave Adam several jobs. One was to take care of the garden. Another one was to give names to the animals God created.

God knew that Adam needed a friend. So God created the first woman. When Adam was asleep, God took one of Adam's ribs and used it to make Eve. Adam liked having Eve for a friend.

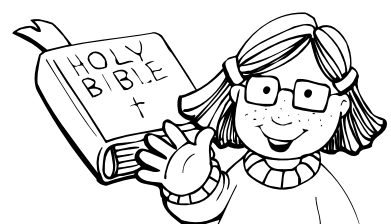


God commanded Adam and Eve not to eat fruit from the tree of knowledge of good and evil. One day, however, a serpent came along. It tricked Eve into eating the fruit from that tree. Adam ate some, too. Adam and Eve both disobeyed God. That is when sin first entered the world.

As a punishment, God sent Adam and Eve out of the beautiful garden. They had to go and live somewhere else. Adam and Eve started a family. They had two boys named Cain and Abel. Adam and Eve spent the rest of their lives learning more about God and how to obey Him.

Questions for Discussion

- Why do you think Adam was special to God?
- What were some of Adam's jobs?
- What happened when Adam and Eve disobeyed God?





Name _____

A Is for Adam



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Creation

Long ago, there was no world, no sky, no planets, no animals and no people. God created the world and all that is in it. He created everything in six days. On the seventh day, God rested. God is very powerful. He simply spoke words and things were created.

On the first day of creation, God said, 'Let there be light', and there was light. On that day, He created day and night, light and darkness.

On the second day, God spoke and He created the sky.

On the third day, God said, 'Let dry ground appear. Let the land produce . . . plants and trees with fruit and seeds'. And it was so.

On the fourth day, God created great lights in the sky – the sun, the moon and the stars.

On the fifth day, God filled the waters with living creatures. He filled the skies with birds. So God created fish and lobsters, whales, eagles, robins and sparrows, and all other water creatures and birds.

Each day, God looked at all He had created. He liked it all. He said it was all good.

On the sixth day, God created all the different kinds of animals. He saw that it was good. On that same day, God created man. He said, '*Let us make man in our image . . . and let them rule over the fish of the sea, and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground*' (Genesis 1:26).

God created man in His own image. Then He made a woman. After God created the first man and the first woman, He saw all that He had made. He said it was very good.

On the seventh day, God finished his work. He rested. He blessed the seventh day. He set it apart as a very special day for Himself. God wants you to make one day each week special for Him, too.

Questions for Discussion

- What are some things God created?
- What did God say about everything He made?
- What did God do after He created everything?
- What day did God set apart for Himself?

