



Lesson One and Two

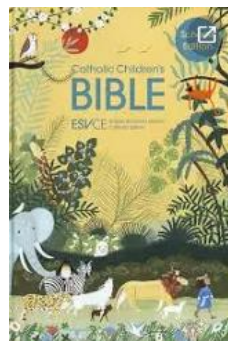
God made our beautiful world and everything in it.

When we go outside, we can talk about the things we can see, hear, smell or feel. We can look at the clouds in the sky, feel the sun/wind on our face, and perhaps listen for birds or the rustle of trees.

We can look around and appreciate something about the created world. We can see lots of things that make us say...WOW!

We can listen to some words that were written a long time ago by someone who wondered where everything they could see came from.

The Bible is a special book where people can read stories about God. One story (from Genesis 1:1) begins... *'In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.'*



Lesson Three and Four

We will read a story from the Christian special book.

The book is called the Bible. The story was written a long time ago by someone who wondered where everything came from, including people!



In the beginning there was God. God created the heavens and the earth.



God said, 'Let there be light.' God made night and day. God saw that it was good.



God said, 'Let there be living creatures.' God saw that it was good.



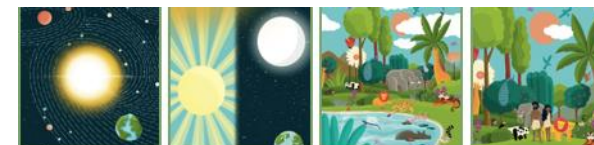
God saw all that he had made and indeed it was very good.

God made people in his image.

God saw all he had made and indeed it was very good.



Lesson Five and Six



Christians believe that God shows love for everyone by giving them a wonderful world.

The picture celebrates God's love for everyone.

All of Creation shows God's love for us!



God WOW! Bible

We can listen to a story written a long time ago. This story is from the Christian special book, the Bible. Perhaps the person that wrote the story said,

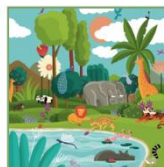
'Wow! Where does everything come from?'



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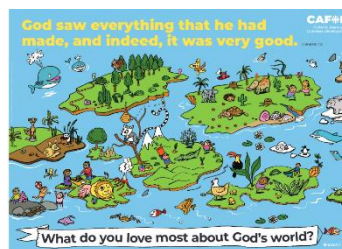
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people Bible stewardship

There is a special word for looking after God's gift – **stewardship**.

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We can think of ways to look after God's creation – his special gift to us.



prayer

Many people believe that God is present to people who believe now, not a story from the past.

Many people believe that God is always listening, like a loving parent. They spend time thinking about and talking to God.

This is called **prayer**.

We will listen to the words of a Christian prayer:

'In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.'

The prayer is called the 'Sign of the Cross'.

Prayer is a way of talking to God.

It is a way people can become better friends with God.



What would you say to God?



Lesson Seven and Eight

'In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.'



The prayer starts with the right hand on the forehead.
For Christians, this is a reminder
that God, the Father, created the world.



The hand moves down towards the earth.
This is a reminder that Jesus, the Son of God became a man.

The right hand moves from the left shoulder to the right shoulder.



The hand travels across your heart, where Christians believe God's Holy Spirit helps us to be kind.



Then the hand travels to both shoulders, as a reminder that God wraps everyone in love.

Lesson Nine and Ten

When some Christian families have a new baby, they want the baby to meet God. There is a special name for this meeting –

the **Sacrament of Baptism**. When a baby is baptised, they are part of the Christian family, God's family, as well as part of their family (parents, brothers, sisters etc.).



1. The family takes the baby to church for a special service. Usually, they invite friends and people who also go to church will come along to welcome the baby. The priest will welcome everyone and say prayers.
2. The most important part of the baptism is when the priest says the baby's name and makes the sign of the cross.
3. Then pours water over the baby's head three times as he says, Father, Son, and Spirit. The children should recognise the words of the Sign of the Cross.
4. Family and friends pray for the baby. They have brought their baby to this meeting point with God.

The Sign of the Cross Prayer Christian



This is a family. Friends can also feel like family.



Everyone is invited to be part of God's family.

The Bible tells us Christians that God the Father has loved us so much. He loved us so much that we are called children of God.

Families

- Spend time together
- Care about each other
- Show kindness
- Eat together
- Share what they have

Being a Christian means treating everyone as if they were a member of their own family.

Welcome gift water family Baptism

We use water when we are thirsty. We use water to stay clean.
Water is a gift of God's creation.

The priest pours water as a sign of life, a baby is newly born as a Christian. Baptism day is like a second birthday, a day when life as a Christian begins. Water is a sign of washing away the past and starting a new life so the first prayer the priest says are the words of the sign of the cross, wrapping the baby in God's love.



This painting is about baptism. Water is a sign of God's love poured out for people. Water is a sign of washing away the past and entering a new life as a Christian.

