

Oak Arbor New Church Sunday School: Lessons for Preschool – Kindergarten

Lesson 1.01: THE FIRST DAY OF CREATION — Gen. 1:1-5

TEACHER PREPARATION

Read over Genesis 1:1- 5.

WORSHIP CIRCLE

READING

Genesis 1:1-5.

STORY AND DISCUSSION

Use flannel board to illustrate.

1. The Word tells us a story about how the Lord created our world.
2. Before He created anything, there was nothing but darkness The Lord wanted a world with people in it He could love.
3. So, on the first day of His creation, He created light. We sure need light, don't we? Let's close our eyes and see what it would be like if we didn't have light.
4. The Lord called the light Day, and the darkness Night.
5. What kind of things do we do in the daytime?
 - a. Play, help Mommy, older children go to school, Daddy goes to work, we go to church, and sometimes we go to special places like a zoo, park, or a store.
 - b. Wouldn't it be hard to do al of these things if we didn't have any light? What would it be like?
 - c. Also, without light, things couldn't grow, and we'd have no food to eat.
 - d. We sure need the daytime, don't we? That is why the Lord created the day for us.
6. But do you know what? The nighttime is also important, because it is a time for rest. We all really need sleep, even though sometimes you not feel like going to sleep. Children, grown-ups, and animals all need sleep. Do you know why?
 - a. Without sleep we couldn't be strong enough to do all of the things we need to do in the daytime. Without sleep, we would just get weaker and weaker.
 - b. We all want to grow to be strong, and that is why the Lord created the night, so we can rest.
 - c. And do you know what happens to each of us while we sleep? The Lord sends His most special angels to come and watch over us, to keep us safe all through the night.

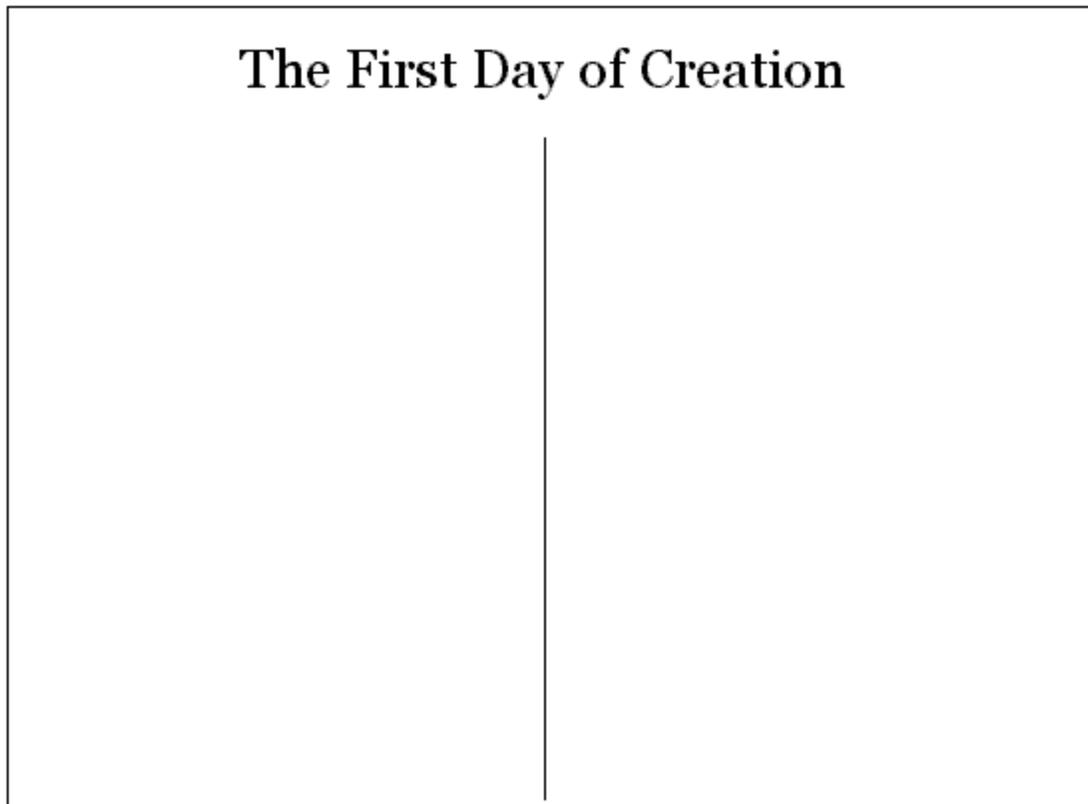
SONG

"Wonder Song" on page 23 of *First Songs For Little Children*.

PROJECT

1. Tell all the children: "Now we will make a picture of what the Lord created on the first day His creation. What was it that He created?"
2. Give them each a neutral colored sheet of paper, a strip of paper with "The First Day Of Creation" written on it, and some yellow and black tissue paper.
3. Tell them to first glue the strip of paper across the middle of the sheet of paper (after telling them what it says). Then tell the children to choose one side of the paper to be light, or day, and the other side to be darkness, or night. Have them tear pieces of tissue paper, and glue the yellow pieces on the "day" side, and black pieces on the "night" side.

Example:



The First Day of Creation

