Lesson 1.05: THE FIFTH DAY OF CREATION — Gen. 1:2-23

TEACHER PREPARATION

Read over Genesis 1:20-23.
Prepare the project materials.
Bring books with pictures of fish and birds.

WORSHIP CIRCLE.

READING

Genesis 1:20-23

DISCUSSION

1. Quickly review the first four days of creation.

2. On the fifth day of His creation, the Lord created the creatures that live in the water, and the creatures that fly in the air. What kind of creatures do you think these were?

3. There are many, many kinds of creatures that live in the water.
   a. The Lord made them all sorts of shapes and sizes and colors.
   b. Some are huge like whales. Some are very tiny.
   c. There are thousands of kinds of fish, and there are also things like crabs, shrimp, and lobsters that live in the water.
   d. Fish help to keep the water clean by eating up bugs and little bits of plants. Some can be good food for other animals or for people. Some can even be pets. Do any of you have pet fish at your house? Are they big or small? What colors are they?

4. There are also many, many kinds of creatures that fly in the air. There are lots of insects that fly—the most beautiful are butterflies—but mostly when we think of flying creatures, we think of birds.
   a. There are so many different kinds of birds! Some are much bigger than you! Some are smaller than your hand. Some have long beaks, and some have short beaks. Some have long tails, and some have short tails. Some fly, some don’t. But they all have feathers of all sorts of different colors.
   b. Birds help by eating up harmful bugs, so that they won’t eat all the plants.
   c. Birds look beautiful, and they sing beautiful songs. They can make us happy. Do you see birds when your outside? Have you heard them sing? What do you see them doing? When we look up at birds in the sky, we can think of the Lord up in heaven who made them.
   d. Do any of you have pet birds? What colors are they?
   e. Birds are something to always be gentle with, so that they will stay near us.

5. Isn’t it good that the Lord created fish and birds to be a part of our world?

SONG
“God Made Them All” on page 24 of *First Songs for Little Children*.

**PROJECT**

**Make a Collage**

1. Use blue construction paper for the background, adding wavy lines for the water and cotton puffs for clouds in the sky (or a half sheet of paper with clouds pictured).

2. Use stickers of birds and fish or have children glue birds and fish precut out of construction paper.


4. Add the text slip: “On the fifth day of His creation, the Lord created the creatures that live in the water, and the creatures that fly in the air.”

**Example:**

*Alternate Project:* Make pictures of birds and fish (or color line drawings).
On the 5th day of creation, the Lord created the creatures that live in the water and the creatures that fly in the air.

The Fifth Day of Creation
THE FIFTH DAY OF CREATION