

God Made Everything In The World

Genesis 1, Genesis 2:1-3

Today we thank God for creating the world and everything in it. We thank God for creating animals, plants, and the sea, but most importantly we thank him for creating each one of us! Everyday we ask God to help us to know him more, to love him more, and see the world that he has created. Let us explore the creation story from the bible:

In the very beginning there was nothing. Can you imagine looking around but seeing nothing? Can you imagine listening really hard but hearing nothing? Nothing, except for God and God, decided to create. God said, "Let there be light," and all of a sudden light appeared! God separated the light and the darkness, and the first day was created. There was day and there was night.

But, God was not finished, he decided to create also on the second day. God spoke and suddenly the water separated from the sky. Up above was heaven and below was the water.

On the third day, God gathered the water so that dry land would appear. God saw that what he had created was good. Then, God created the trees, vegetables, and fruit we can grow. What a wonderful day!

Next came day four and, God, spun the sun into motion to rule the day. God, created the moon to provide light during the night. It was on this very day that, God, scattered the stars through the sky.

Was God done yet? No, he still had more to create! He wanted creatures to fly through the sky and creatures to swim the deepest ocean. On day five, God, created the birds of the air and the fish of the sea.

Then came day six, this was the day that animals were made. Not only did God create animals, but he also created his most precious creation of all: people! People are so important to God, that he created us in his very image. God, blessed the people and told them to be fruitful and to rule over all the other creatures. God, had formed man from the dust of the earth, but it was, God's, breath that brought people to life. God, saw everything He had created and he saw that it was good!

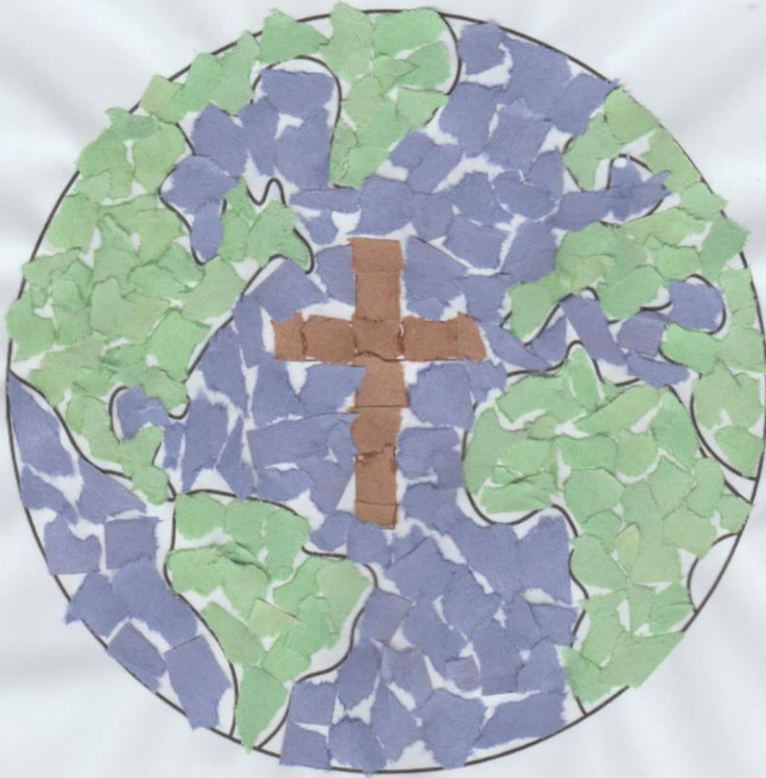
Then the heavens and the earth were finished. On the seventh day God finished his work and he rested. God blessed the seventh day and made it holy.

Let's create a beautiful picture of the world to celebrate how much God loves us!

MATERIALS NEEDED FOR CRAFT:

Printed copy of the “Earth template” or draw the earth with a cross, colored paper:

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-blue, green, and brown

-paper

-glue

DIRECTIONS:

Tear or rip up your blue, green, and brown paper.

Then cover your Earth with glue. Place the green pieces onto the land areas and the blue pieces onto the sea and the brown pieces to the cross. If you don't have any colored paper you could use magazines and create a paper earth collage or you could use paints to color your picture.

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