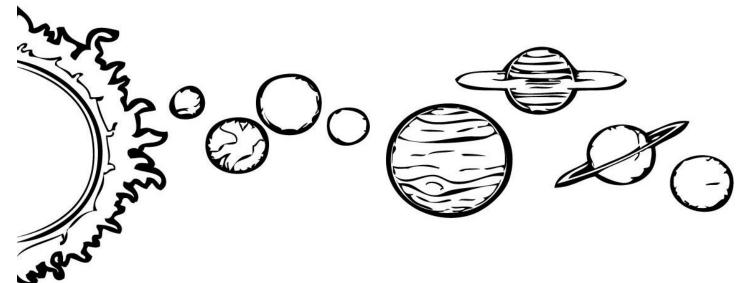


God is the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. He created you and me! He is all-powerful, all-knowing, everywhere, infinite, eternal, unchanging, perfectly good, holy, just, loving, merciful, faithful, compassionate, and so much more! The Bible also says that God is "sovereign" which means to have supreme or ultimate power and authority. He has the ultimate wisdom, power, and authority to rule over everything in the universe and world that He created. Because of all that God is, He is our perfect and loving Creator and King! And that is why we worship Him!

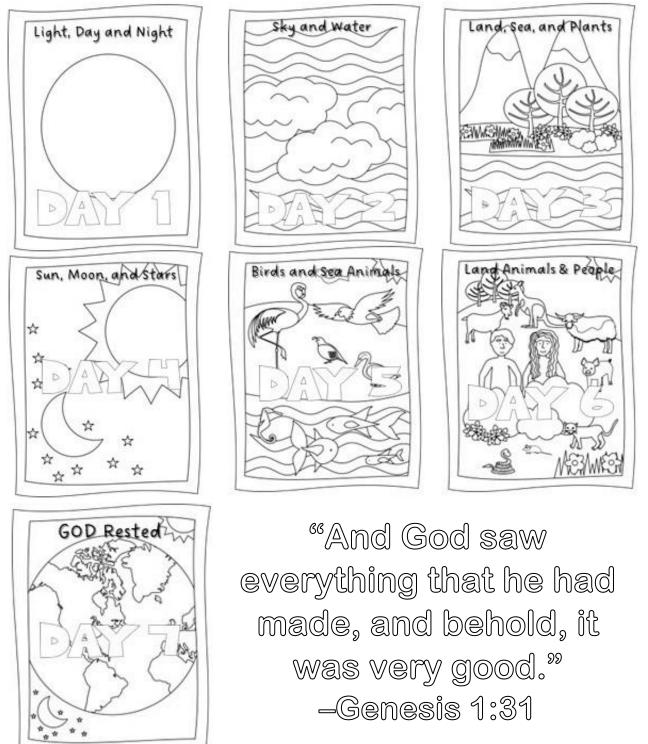


The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. -Psalm 19:1 NIV



### "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."-Genesis 1:1

The Bible teaches us that God created the universe and everything in it in 6 Days. Then, on Day 7, God rested. Also, we learn that God created everything out of nothing just by speaking His words.

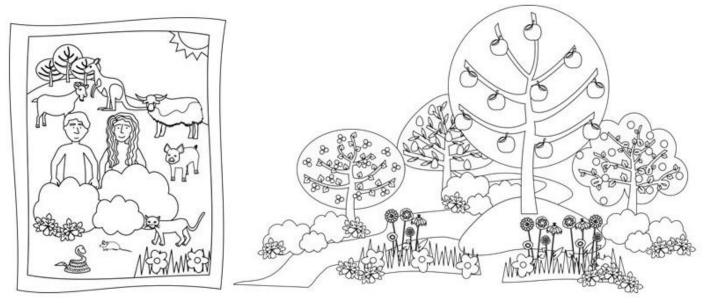


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"So God created human beings in his own image. In the image of God he created them; male and female he created them."-Genesis 1:27 NLT

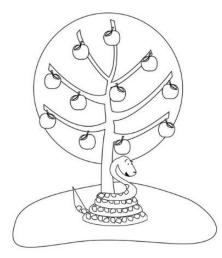


## God Made the First Man and Woman: Adam and Eve

Genesis 2:7, "Then the Lord God formed a man. He made him out of the dust of the ground. God breathed the breath of life into him. And the man became a living person."

Genesis 2:15-17 NiRV, "The Lord God put the man in the Garden of Eden. He put him there to farm its land and take care of it."

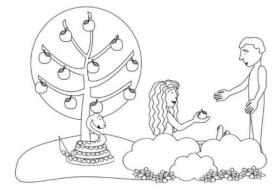
Genesis 2:22, "Then the Lord God made a woman. He made her from the rib he had taken out of the man. And the Lord God brought her to the man."



# GOD's One Command

Genesis 2:16-17 NiRV "The Lord God gave the man a command. He said, "You may eat fruit from any tree in the garden. But you must not eat the fruit from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. If you do, you will certainly die."





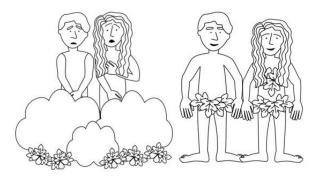
### The First Temptation and Sin

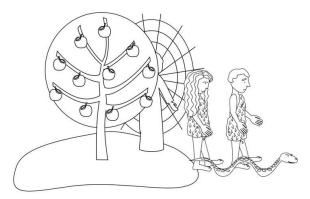
#### Genesis 3:1 NiRV

"The serpent was more clever than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. The serpent said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat fruit from any tree in the garden'?"

Genesis 3:6-7 NiRV

"The woman saw that the tree's fruit was good to eat and pleasing to look at. She also saw that it would make a person wise. So she took some of the fruit and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her. And he ate it. Then both of them knew things they had never known before. They realized they were naked. So they sewed together fig leaves and made clothes for themselves."





#### Genesis 3:23-24 NiRV

"So the Lord God drove the man out of the Garden of Eden. He sent the man to farm the ground he had been made from. The Lord God drove him out and then placed angels on the east side of the garden. He also placed there a flaming sword that flashed back and forth. The angels and the sword guarded the way to the tree of life."

The serpent tempted Adam and Eve with his lies to doubt God's goodness to them. This led them to eat from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil which God had commanded them to not eat from. This was the first act of sin and rebellion of humans against God. As a consequence to their sin, God placed a curse on the serpent and Adam and Eve and also the earth. God then banished them from the Garden of

Eden. But God, in His love, also promised to one day provide them with a Savior. (see Genesis 3:15)

Ever since then, all humans everywhere are born into sin. Our natural tendency is to rebel against God and to do things our own way. This is why there is so much pain and suffering in the world even today. Also, this is why we need a Savior in God's Son, Jesus Christ, to pay for our sins, and to restore our relationship with God. Jesus helps us to live our lives in a way that is pleasing to God.