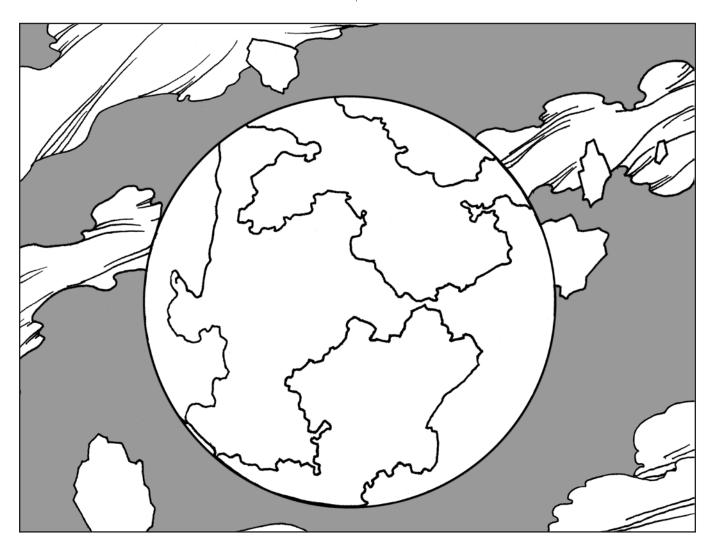


Creation

I n the beginning, there was God. God is a Family and is made up of two Beings. One is God the Father and the other is the Word. God had a plan to reproduce Himself. After much design, His plan began with the creation of angels, heaven and Earth. The Earth was beautiful and full of life. After millions of years, there was trouble with some of the angels. This caused great problems on Earth and it became a very dark, dead place, covered in water.

God then created human beings. If they obeyed Him, these beings would eventually be born into the God Family. Human beings need-



ed a home, so God recreated the Earth.

Re-creation of Earth

God the Father created the Earth by telling the Word what should be done. The Word obeyed and completed His work through the power of God's Holy Spirit.

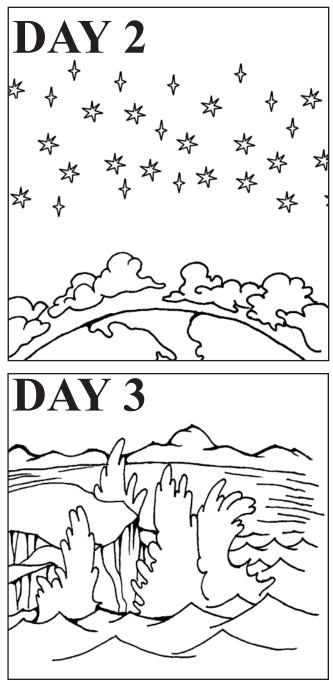
The Earth was covered with thick clouds. On the first day of creation, God caused the dark clouds to go away. Once again, the Earth felt the warm sunshine after a long time without it. This also caused night to be dark and daytime to be bright.

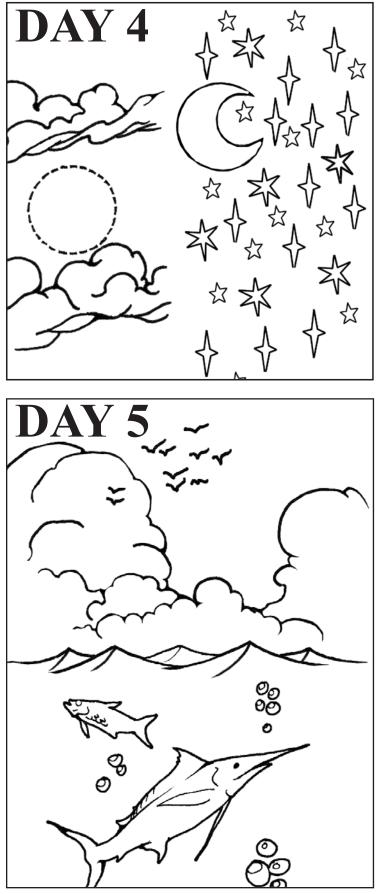
Look down at your chest. What is it doing? As it moves up and down, you are breathing air. On the second



day, God created the air that is needed for life. This air was clean and had many big white clouds. The air covered the Earth like a giant bubble.

The next step in God's creation was to make land. On the third day, God separated the dry land from the water.





He called the land earth and the water became the oceans, lakes and rivers. But this dry land was empty. So God created grasses, plants and trees to cover it.

On the fourth day, God let the sun, moon and stars shine bright. He did this by removing the last of the dark clouds, gases and dust. The moon and stars were for night and the sun was for day.

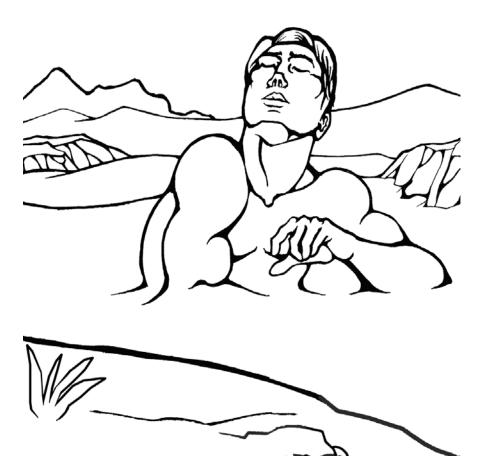
On the fifth day, God filled the oceans with life. Fish, sharks, whales and other sea creatures were created. God also filled the sky with every flying creature. On this day, God created all the birds that you see.

God blessed these animals. This allowed both the water and air animals to multiply and fill all the Earth.

The dry land still had no animals. On the sixth day, God filled the Earth with every creature. He created lions, bears, squirrels, horses and cows. He also created reptiles like snakes and lizards. The land was filled with all kinds of animals.

On the sixth day, God also created man from the dust of the





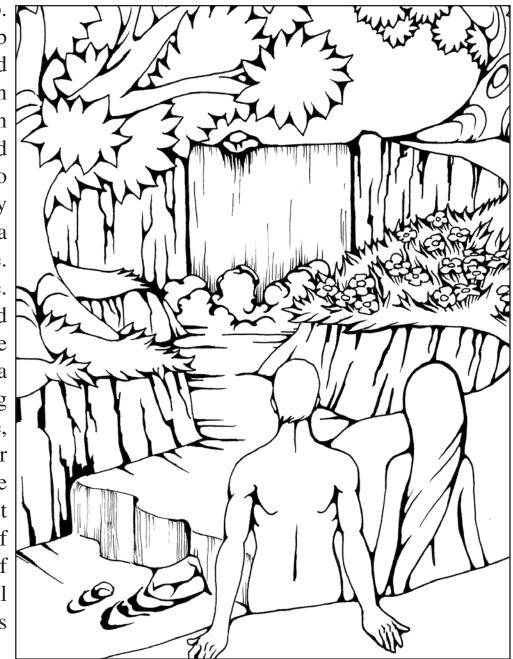
ground. God made man in the same form as Himself. Humans have eyes and ears—and so does God! God put men on a level greater than all the animals in the sea, land and air. Man was put in charge of all of these animals. The first man was Adam.

God made a special place for Adam to live. This place was the beautiful Garden of Eden. God gave Adam the job of naming all of the creatures on Earth. Adam obeyed and listened to his Creator. He named all the birds, all the land animals, and all the fish in the sea.

Yet Adam was lonely and wanted company. God saw that Adam was alone and He knew what Adam needed. God caused Adam to fall

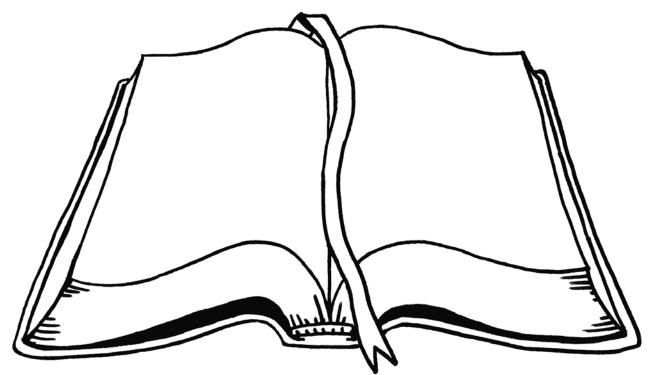
God looked at all that He had made. He saw the sun, moon, stars, air, land, sea, fish, birds and animals. He also saw the first man and woman. And He said, "All I have created is very good."

The Earth was complete. But God was not done creating.



into a deep sleep. He then took a rib from Adam and created a woman from it. When Adam awoke, God gave this woman to him. He was very happy to see a friend and a mate. Her name was Eve.

God also blessed Adam and Eve. He told them to start a family by having children. In time, He wanted their children to fill the Earth. God put man in charge of all the creatures of the Earth and all the fruit of the trees and plants.



The Sabbath

On the seventh day, God created something very special. After six days of hard work, God created a day of rest and called it the Sabbath. He rested on this day and He commanded man to also rest on this day. God made this a law: Man is to work six days a week, but on the last day of the week, man must rest. God set the seventh day as the Sabbath forever. That is why we keep the Sabbath today.

God created this day because He knows what is best for man. He knows man must take time to rest, to listen to God and to learn from Him. Every Sabbath, God wants us to learn more of His laws and way of life. God taught Adam and Eve on this day.

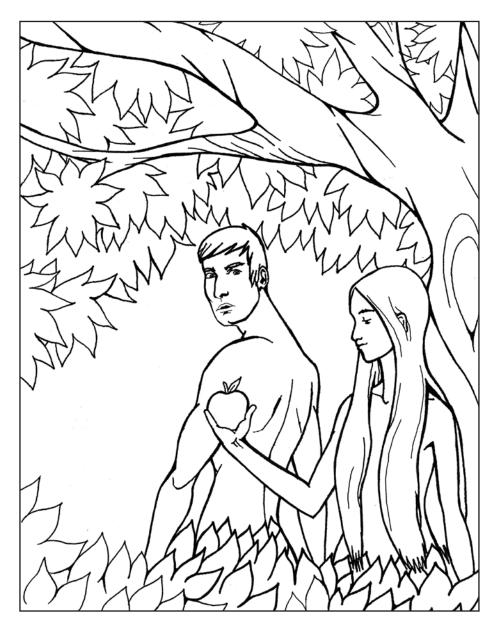
Two Trees

Adam and Eve lived in the beautiful Garden of Eden. There were two unusual trees in the garden. One tree was called the Tree of Life. God told Adam and Eve that they could eat the fruit from that tree anytime. And if they ate from this tree, they would live forever.

God also planted another tree, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God told Adam and Eve that they could not eat of this tree. If they ate its fruit, they would die. God was serious. He knew what was best for Adam and Eve. He loved them and He gave them a choice.

In the Garden of Eden, there was another being. This being was once a great angel, but he became evil. He hated God's laws and His way. His name was Satan, and in the garden, he looked like a serpent.

Eve if there was any tree that she listen to Satan. Eve ate the fruit of



could not eat from. She replied that she could not eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Because Satan hated God, he tried to get Eve to not listen to God's loving commandment and he lied to her to deceive her.

Eve ignored what God had taught One day, Satan came and asked her. She disobeyed God and chose to

> the wrong tree. She made a very big mistake. She asked Adam to eat of the same tree. He disobeyed God and ate of the tree too.

> This was a big event for man. God had taught Adam and Eve His laws but they disobeyed. By eating this fruit, they decided to choose for themselves what is right and what is wrong. When we disobey, there is certain punishment we must face.

> Soon after. God was walking in the garden looking for Adam and Eve. Adam

and Eve were very afraid because they knew they had broken God's law. They were hiding from Him.

God asked, "Have you eaten of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil?" Adam quickly said it was Eve who made him do it. Eve said it was Satan who made her do it.

This made God very upset. He had to punish Adam and Eve. There was no other choice. God's

law is a wonderful law, but when we disobey God, it is called sin. Sin brings punishment.

God made Adam and Eve leave the Garden of Eden because they sinned. He also put great angels and a flaming sword to guard the entrance to the garden so man could never enter. Adam and Eve were forced to build a family, work and live in an area very different from God's beautiful garden.



Cain and Abel

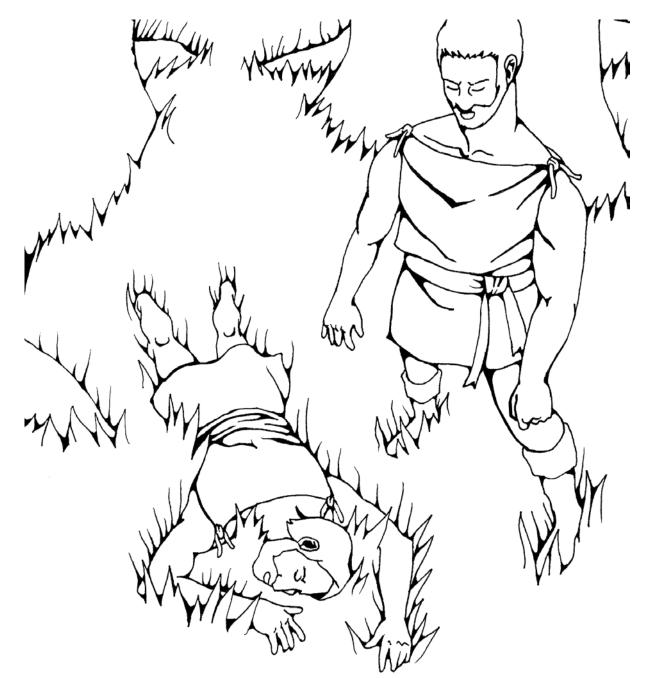
Adam and Eve had two sons. One was named Cain and the other Abel. Cain grew up and became a farmer. He grew many vegetables and fruits. Abel grew up and became a shepherd. He looked after sheep.

Both Cain and Abel were commanded to give offerings to God. Abel gave his best lamb, which God liked very much. Cain gave an offering of fruit and vegetables. But God did not like this offering because Cain's attitude was bad.

Cain was very jealous of his brother and became very angry with him.

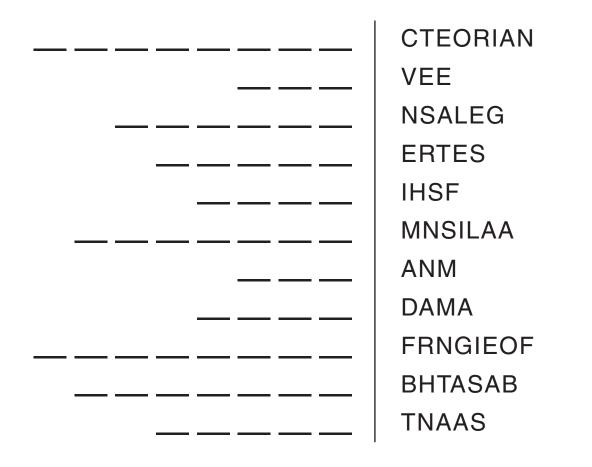
One day, Cain was alone with his brother Abel in the field. Because he was angry and full of hate, he killed Abel. Cain realized the horrible thing he did and he tried to hide. God came and asked, "Where is your brother Abel?" Cain did not answer truthfully. God punished Cain for his great sin. Cain moved far away from the rest of his family.

During this time, Adam and Eve had more children and the Earth soon became filled with human beings.



WORD SCRAMBLE

Below is a list of scrambled words. Each word is an important aspect of this lesson.



WORD BANK

EVE	ADAM	OFFERING
SATAN	ANGELS	CREATION
TREES	ANIMALS	MAN
SABBATH	FISH	

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