

1.1 KS1 - God - Lesson 3 – Caring for Creation

Context: Having introduced the Creation story from the Bible, we go on to look at caring for our world/ God's Creation.

Essential core: Christians believe that God expects humans to care for His world because it belongs to God.

Resources:

Materials to make a garden. Figure for Adam.

INTRODUCTION: The Story of Adam, the first man.

Tell this story from the Bible in the manner of Godly Play. Genesis 2:7-22.

The Bible says that God made the first man and gave him a beautiful garden to live in - the Garden of Eden.

Build up a "garden" of trees, flowers and fruit, describing them as you do. Place the figure representing Adam into the garden.

God was like a loving Father to Adam, and Adam loved to talk with Him.

God gave Adam an important job to do. He told Adam that he was to be in charge of this beautiful world that God had made, but he must also look after it and take care of it.

God had made many wonderful animals, birds and insects. One by one he showed them to Adam, and Adam gave them each a name.

Even though he had so many animals for company, Adam was lonely, so God made Eve, the first Woman, to be his wife and friend.

BUILD UP:

Look at the garden. Talk about what the world was like before people came. How is it different from our world today? (no cities, cars, pollution). There were once far more creatures/ wildlife - even fifty years ago - than there are today because they have been killed by pollution and the selfish things people do. What important job did God give Adam to do in the story from the Bible? (Look after our world).

How can you and I do that today?

TASK:

Learn and sing the Reduce reuse recycle song (What's it worth Planet Earth)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LxNumOifkT0>

FORMATIVE ASSESSMENT:

Why do Christians believe that it is important to care for the World? (Because it belongs to God and they believe that He told people to take care of it)

What things can we all do to help?