#### **GOD CREATES ADAM AND EVE**

Scripture:	Materials:
Genesis 1:26-2:25	Whiteboard/markers
	Flashcard of Adam in Garden of Eden
	Wordstrips: Work, Command, Wife
	Handouts with MV/Cookies
Memory Verse:	
Genesis 1:27 God created man in His own image, in the image of God, He created him; male	
and female, He created them.	

# Objectives: As a result of this lesson I want my students to

Know: God created Adam form the ground and gave him work in His garden. He commanded Adam not to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and created Eve from his rib in order to be a helper (wife) to him.

Realize: God created male and female in His image and for His distinct purposes in His world.

Respond by: thanking God for loving them and creating them male or female, for His special work

#### **Pre-lesson Activities:**

Greet each student by name.
The BIBLE
My God is so BIG
5-12-5-5-12 look at bookmarkers

## **Setting up the Story:**

Have students look at bookmarkers in Gen. 12. "if you know the first 12 chapters of the Bible, you can understand the rest of the Bible!

The Bible is selected history: God told us everything we NEEDED to know, but not everything we might WANT to know. In fact, a lot of people have their most questions about the Bible in these chapters, because there is a lot we are NOT told...but we ARE TOLD everything we need to know.

How many of you have ever read something on your computer and you see a word in blue and it's underlined? It's called a hyperlink. What does that mean? It means that there is MORE information if you click on it. Genesis 1 is the homepage. It gives us the BIG PICTURE. Remember...And God said...and it was so! In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. Is the Bible going to be more about what is going on in the heavens, or what God is doing on the earth? Double-click on earth.

And God creates ALL the things in the earth and creates man...is the Bible going to be a science book about fish and birds and animals, or is it going to be mainly about what God is doing with humans? Double-click on man. Read Genesis 1:27. It says God created male and female, but then in chapter 2, it is going to tell us about that again. Why would God go back and give MORE details about how Adam and Eve were created? Because we NEED to see something VERY IMPORTANT! There are going to be 3 things that God gives to Adam in the lesson and I want to see if you can find them!

Outline of Content:	How you will teach the Content:
I. God gives Adam Work A. Forms man from dust of ground and breathes life into him B. Plants a garden: Eden C. Beautiful trees! Food!	Read 2:7 Imagine you are taking a lump of clay soil from the ground and forming it into a person. Adam was going to be in GOD'S image! Where does God put Adam when He is done? Show picture of Adam in the Garden of Eden.
D. What does God want Adam to do?	Read 2:15what did God give Adam? WORK! Whose was Adam working for? The work Adam was doing was GOD'S WORK! He was helping to take care of God's beautiful world.
II. God Gives Adam a Command A. From all the trees you may eat freely B. From Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil: DON'T EAT. C. In the day you eat of it: YOU SHALL SURELY DIE.	Read 2:16 What was the second thing God gave Adam? (work with the question until the kids come up with "command" or "rule" or "law")  God was giving them a command that would keep them safe! Nowdid Adam know what good was? YES! Everything that God had made was GOOD! What was God's command protecting Adam from? Evil.
III. God Gives Adam a Wife A. No helper found.	Adam needed a helper. Now, there were lots of animals! God brought all the different animals to Adam and he named them.

In fact, we are going to draw the different categories:

There were fish, birds, reptiles, amphibians, insects, mammals.

HOW ARE HUMANS DIFFERENT FROM ALL THE ANIMAL-KIND? (think, create, believe, sing, pray, laugh, talk, reason...write answers on the board)

Who is going to help Adam? A chimpanzee? A giraffe? A dolphin? What is the problem? How many HUMAN-kind are there? ONE.

God is not going to create another human species...but He puts Adam to sleep and takes out one of his ribs and forms a WOMAN. That's not how He made Adam—He creates Eve out of part of Adam.

Now think with me...what percentage human is Adam? Is he 50% human or 80% or 100%? But wait a minute! What percentage human is Eve? Is she 50% human or 80% or 100%? So

do we have 2 human races? No! Only ONE HUMAN! We have two people and they each have their own purpose, but they are both 100% HUMAN!

Who created MALE? GOD did! For His work and purpose in His world. Adam didn't decide. God did.

Who created FEMALE? GOD did! To be a helper in His work and plan for the world. Eve didn't decide, God did. Is Eve the same as Adam? She is equally HUMAN, but God gave her her own purpose.

And when God brought Eve to Adam, what is she called in 2:24? HIS WIFE! Who performed the first marriage? GOD DID! Adam and Eve didn't decide to live together. GOD was the One who brought Eve to Adam. Marriage between a man and woman is His way.

## **Concluding the Story:**

God created Adam AND Eve for His special purpose on the earth. And He LOVED THEM and wanted them to LOVE HIM. In the beginning God created the Heavens and the Earth: that's chapter 1 because we need to know that God create ALL THINGS! But in chapter 2, we needed to know that God created people in His image: He created them male and female. And it is not accident that you are either a boy or a girl. God made you to be a boy or a girl for HIS purpose in the world! Boys are 100% as human as girls, and girls are 100% as human as boys. Would you THANK GOD for LOVING YOU and MAKING YOU JUST THE WAY YOU ARE? Close in prayer.

### **Post-lesson Activities:**

Teach the Memory Verse using a game. I Believe the Bible

Review Books of the Bible.

Hand out snacks and memory verse tokens.