

DAY 1: Day & Night



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Day 1 The Creation of Day and Night: In the beginning, the world was filled with darkness. God chose to give the gift of light and he separated the light from the darkness. He called the light “day” and the darkness he called “night.” God looked at his creation and saw that it was good.

...OR READ GENESIS 1:1-5

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless wasteland, and darkness covered the abyss, while a mighty wind swept over the waters.

Then God said, “Let there be light,” and there was light. God saw how good the light was. God then separated the light from the darkness. God called the light “day,” and the darkness he called “night.” Thus evening came and morning followed — the first day.

WONDER QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

What do you like better, daytime or nighttime? Would you like it to always be day or always be night? Having both is a precious gift from God, isn't it?



DAY 2: Water & Sky

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Day 2 The Creation of Water and Sky: In the beginning, there was no sky. On the second day, God chose to give the gift of sky and rain above, and so he separated it from the water below. God looked at his creation and saw that it was good.

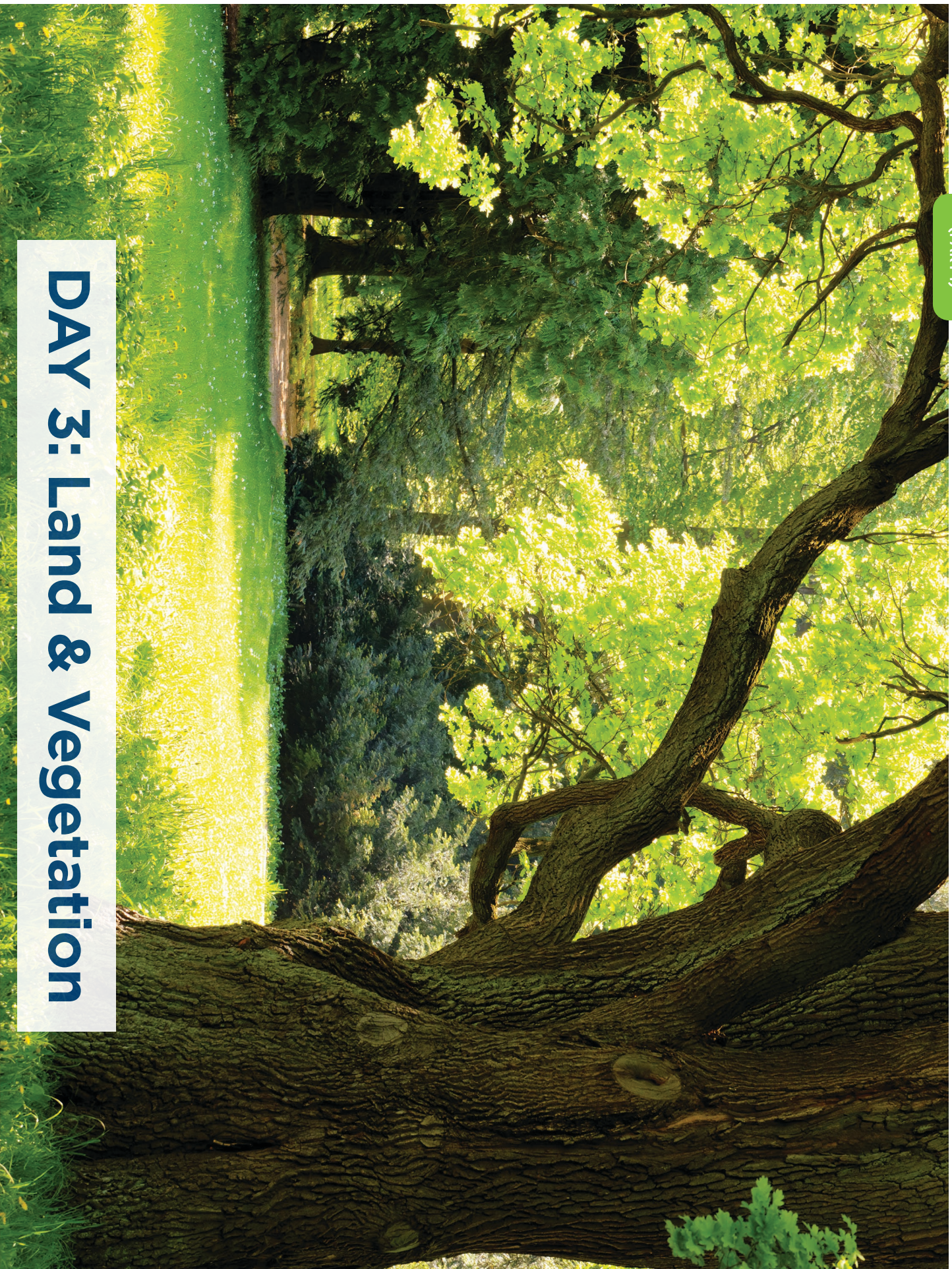
...OR READ GENESIS 1:6-8

Then God said, "Let there be a dome in the middle of the waters, to separate one body of water from the other." And so it happened: God made the dome, and it separated the water above the dome from the water below it. God called the dome "the sky." Evening came, and morning followed the second day.

WONDER QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

*How is the sky different from a lake or sea? What do they both have in common? (Water)
What do we call water when it comes down out of the sky? Why do you suppose God made rain? What does it help grow? On this day, Day 2, are there any plants on the earth yet? Do you think God will make them next? Let's see...*

DAY 3: Land & Vegetation



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Day 3 The Creation of Land and Vegetation: In the beginning, there was no dry land. On the third day, God chose to give the gift of land. God filled the land with vegetation: all kinds of plants, flowers, and trees — with seeds to make even more. God looked at his creation and saw that it was good.

...OR READ GENESIS 1:9-13

Then God said, “Let the water under the sky be gathered into a single basin, so that the dry land may appear.” And so it happened: the water under the sky was gathered into its basin, and the dry land appeared. God called the dry land “the earth,” and the basin of the water he called “the sea.” God saw how good it was.

Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth vegetation: every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it.” And so it happened: the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed — the third day.

WONDER QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

Who likes fruit? What is your favorite? (Allow for answers.) What a great gift! Does fruit have seeds? What do the seeds do? (Grow into new fruit vines and trees.) And those trees give us...what? (More fruit!) So one little seed from an apple tree actually gives us...more apples!! Bushels and bushels of apples. Our God is so generous. This is the gift that keeps on giving! He must love us very much.

What Day are we on? (Day 3) What day is coming next? (Day 4)

DAY 4: Sun, Moon & Stars



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Day 4 The Creation of Sun, Moon and Stars: In the beginning, there was no sun, or moon, or stars. On the fourth day, God chose to give the gifts of the sun for the day — and the moon and stars for light at night. God looked at his creation and saw that it was good.

...OR READ GENESIS 1:14, 16-19

Then God said, “Let there be lights in the dome of the sky, to separate day from night.” And so it happened: God made the two great lights, the greater one to govern the day, and the lesser one to govern the night; and he made the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed — the fourth day.

WONDER QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

Where is the sun in this picture? Where is the moon? Which one is brighter? What does the sun and moon give us? Can you see without light? Why does God give us this light? What is your favorite thing to see? (After every item, you can say...Thank you, God, for the gift of....and mention that item)



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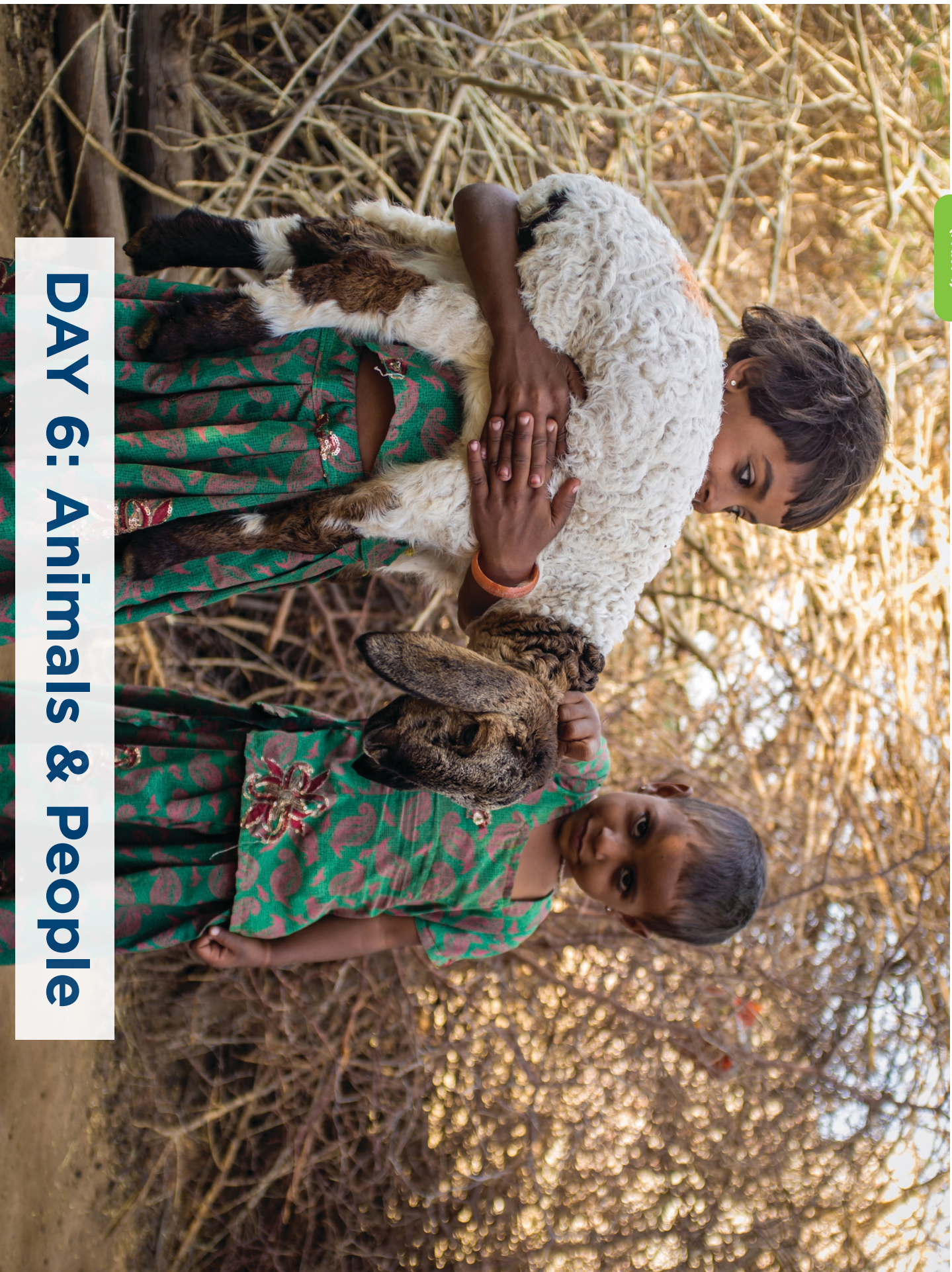
Day 5 The Creation of Birds and Fish: In the beginning, there were no creatures in the sky or sea. On the fifth day, God chose to give the gifts of the birds and fish. God looked at his creation and saw that it was good.

...OR READ GENESIS 1:20-23

Then God said, "let the water teem with an abundance of living creatures, and on the earth let birds fly beneath the dome of the sky." And so it happened: God created the great sea monsters and all kinds of swimming creatures with which the water teems, and all kinds of winged birds. God saw how good it was, and God blessed them, saying, "Be fertile, multiply, and fill the water of the seas; and let the birds multiply on the earth." Evening came, and morning followed — the fifth day.

WONDER QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

Where, do you suppose, are the fish in this picture? (Under the water.) What can fish do that you can't do? What can birds do that you can't do? God gives pretty great gifts, doesn't he? How many different kinds of birds do you imagine there are? How many different kinds of fish? Thousands and thousands and thousands!! God gives in a big, big way!



DAY 6: Animals & People

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Day 6 The Creation of Animals and People: In the beginning, there were no animals or people on the land. On the sixth day, God chose to give the gift of animals. God looked at his creation and saw that it was good. Then he saved the best for last – God made man and woman in his own image and likeness. He said it was very good. He gave the man and woman ALL the animals, birds and fish and ALL of creation to take care of and enjoy.

...OR READ GENESIS 1:24-26, 31

Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth all kinds of living creatures: cattle, creeping things, and wild animals of all kinds." And so it happened: God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle, and all kinds of creeping things of the earth. God saw how good it was. Then God said: Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle, and over all the wild animals and all the creatures that crawl on the ground...God looked at everything he made, and he found it very good.

WONDER QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

What is your favorite animal? How can we help take care of the animals and the earth? Why do you think God gave the job of taking care of all of his beautiful creation to us and didn't give that job to ferocious lions or tiny ants?



DAY 7: God Rested

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Day 7 The Day God Rested: Once God did all the work of making everything in the world, he rested. This was the seventh day. God blessed the seventh day and made it holy. It is called the Sabbath.

...OR READ GENESIS 2:1-3

Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were completed. Since on the seventh day God was finished with the work he had been doing, he rested on the seventh day.... So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work he had done in creation.

WONDER QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

What day do you think is the seventh day of the week for us Christians? (Sunday.) Is it a work day or a rest day? In what ways do we rest along with God on Sunday? (Go to church. Spend time with family and friends. Enjoy the outdoors!)