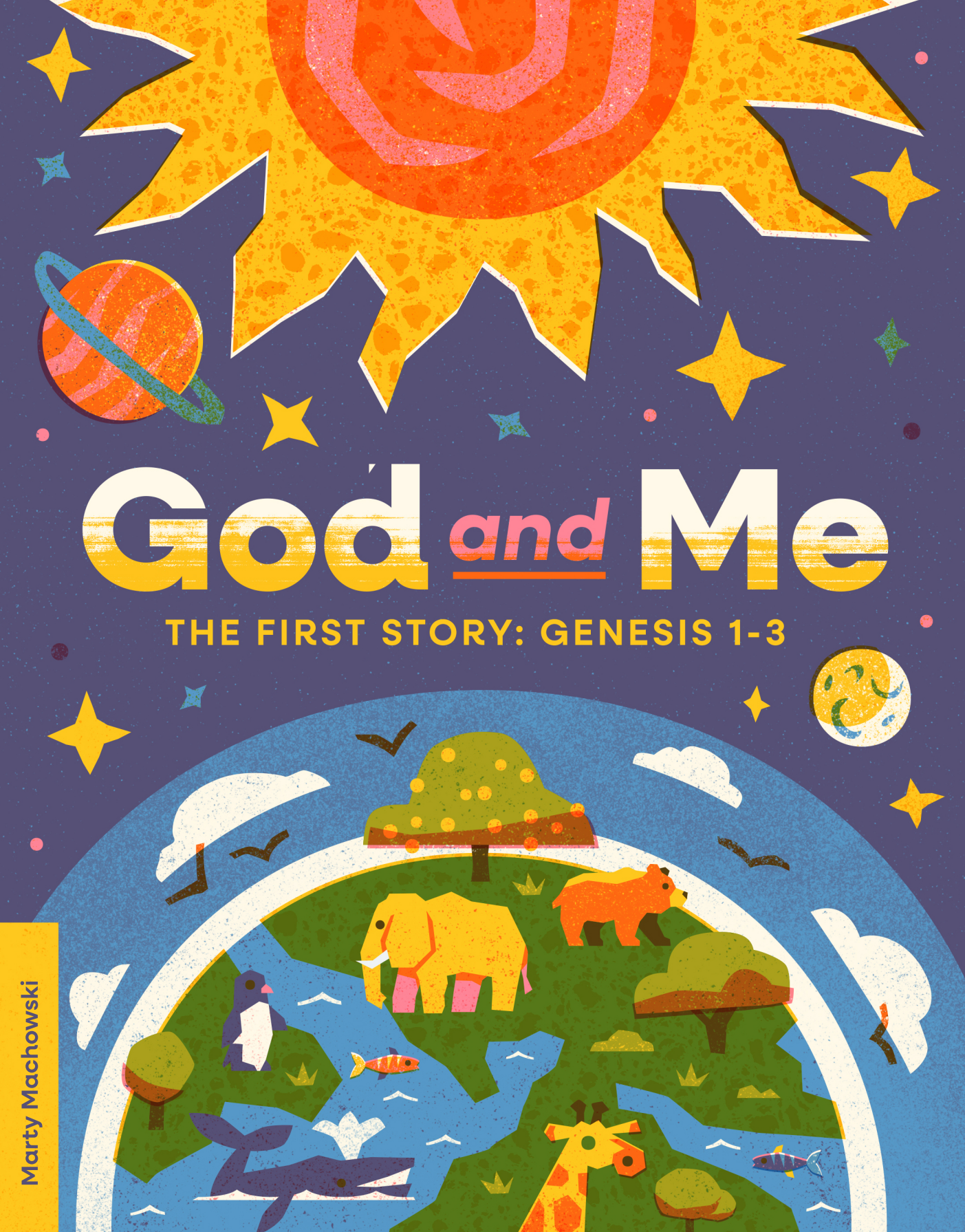




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Answer Key

Before You Start

Hi! Welcome to a Bible study just for you.

God wrote the Bible—every word! So it's kind of like God's letter to you. It's a special kind of letter because every word is true. Did you know that God always speaks the truth? It's also special because it's alive. I know that sounds funny. How can words be alive? But the words in the Bible go deep inside you, and God uses them to help you love and trust him.

In this Bible study, you will get to write words too. Out of everything God created, we are the only ones who can read, think about what we're reading, and write down what we think. Dogs, ducks, and dragonflies can't read, write, or love God. Only people can read the Bible, learn about God, and love and follow him.

Things to Know About the Bible

Find a Bible and open it. As you look through it, here are some things to help you read and understand it:

God used people to write the Bible.

He gave them his Spirit, so everything they wrote is true. The Bible also tells about who God is and who you are.

The Bible is divided into two parts.

The first part is called the **Old Testament**, and it's about how the world began, how it got messed up, and how God promised to send a Savior to rescue his people.

The second part is called the **New Testament**, and it starts with the birth of the Savior, Jesus. It tells the story of how Jesus lived, died, and rose from the dead. It also tells us how his church got started and of his promise to come back.

The Bible has 66 books!

There are 39 in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament.

OLD TESTAMENT																																						
GENESIS	EXODUS	LEVITICUS	NUMBERS	DEUTERONOMY	JOSHUA	JUDGES	RUTH	1 SAMUEL	2 SAMUEL	1 KINGS	2 KINGS	1 CHRONICLES	2 CHRONICLES	EZRA	NEHEMIAH	ESTHER	JOB	PSALMS	PROVERBS	ECCLIESIASTES	SONG OF SOLOMON	ISAIAH	JEREMIAH	LAMENTATIONS	EZEKIEL	DANIEL	HOSEA	JOEL	AMOS	OBADIAH	JONAH	MICAH	NAHUM	HABAKKUK	ZEPHANIAH	HAGGAI	ZECHARIAH	MALACHI
NEW TESTAMENT																																						
MATTHEW	MARK	LUKE	JOHN	ACTS	ROMANS	1 CORINTHIANS	2 CORINTHIANS	GALATIANS	EPHESIANS	PHILIPPIANS	COLOSSIANS	1 THESSALONIANS	2 THESSALONIANS	1 TIMOTHY	2 TIMOTHY	TITUS	PHILEMON	HEBREWS	JAMES	1 PETER	2 PETER	1 JOHN	2 JOHN	3 JOHN	JUDE	REVELATION												

Each book is divided into chapters, and each chapter is divided into verses.

Look at your Bible now and open it to Genesis (the very first book). Do you see the number 1 right in the beginning?

That's the chapter number.

Now do you see the little numbers sprinkled through the chapter?

Those are the verse numbers.

When you put them together with the name of the book, they help you find your place in the Bible.



Try to look up a Bible verse.

Start with Genesis 1:27. Can you find it? Here's what it says:

"So God created man in his own image; he created him in the image of God; he created them male and female."

So let's get started!

Here is how we will study the Bible:



Read

You read God's Word because God wrote it to teach you about who he is, who you are, and how to love and follow him.



Think

Next, stop and think about what you read. God is alive, and he speaks right to you when you think about his words. There are questions to help you think about what you read.



Remember

You can keep God's Word in your heart. That starts with remembering what you have read. To help you remember, you will do an activity.



Follow

The Bible calls us to action. We read, think, and then follow God by doing what we read in the Bible. You will write down one way God wants you to follow him.

Four Things You Will Need:

1

A BIBLE
(the lessons use the
Christian Standard
Bible or CSB, but any
translation is fine)

2

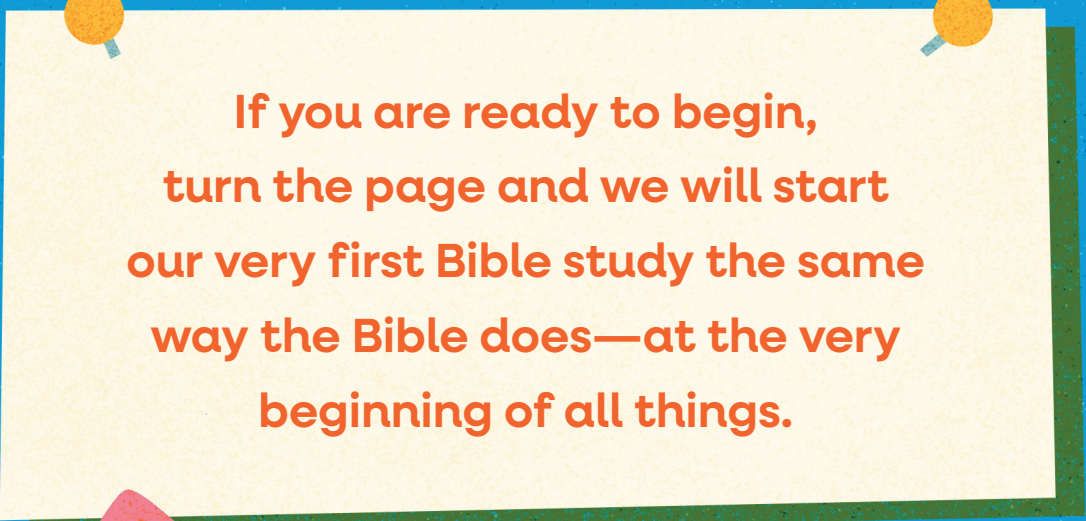
**WRITING
SUPPLIES**
(pen or pencil,
colored pencils,
highlighter)

3

**THIS BIBLE
STUDY**



4
YOURSELF!



If you are ready to begin,
turn the page and we will start
our very first Bible study the same
way the Bible does—at the very
beginning of all things.



In the Beginning



Read

FIND A QUIET PLACE.

Genesis is the first book in the Bible. It tells us the very first story about God and people. Long ago, God inspired a man named Moses to write down the stories in Genesis.

Read Genesis 1:1–2.



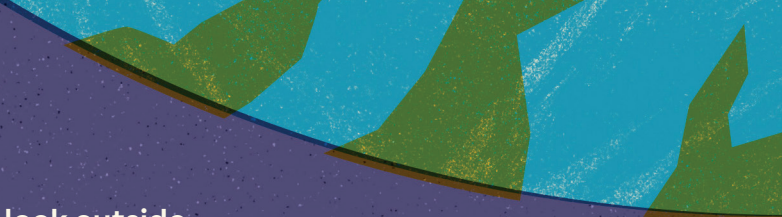
THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU READ
AND ANSWER THE QUESTIONS.

1. Who came first? Circle the correct answer.



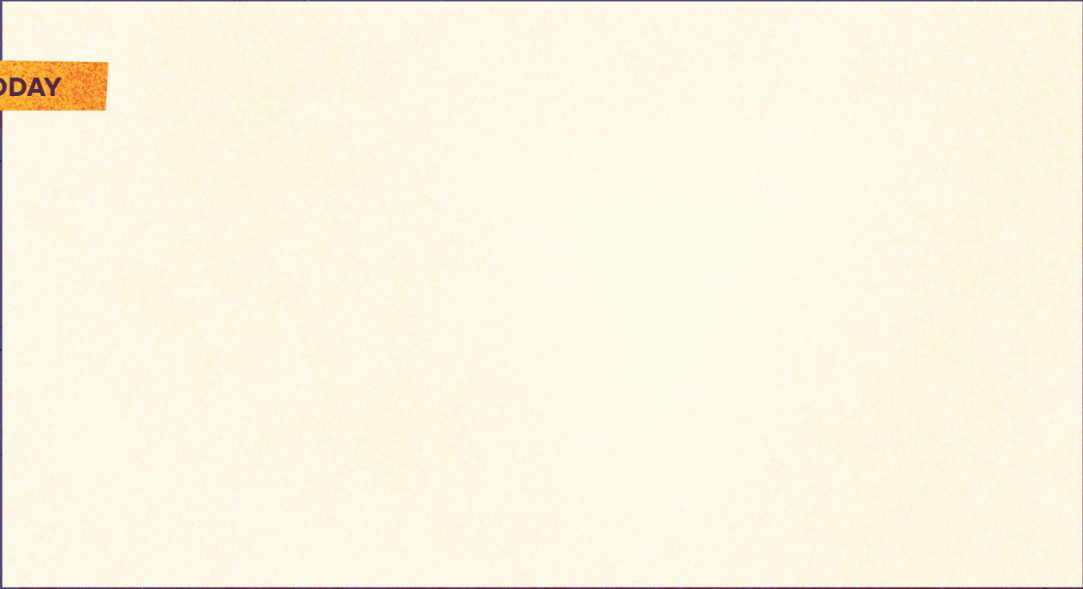
2. What did God do in verse 1?

3. What does this verse tell us about God's power?

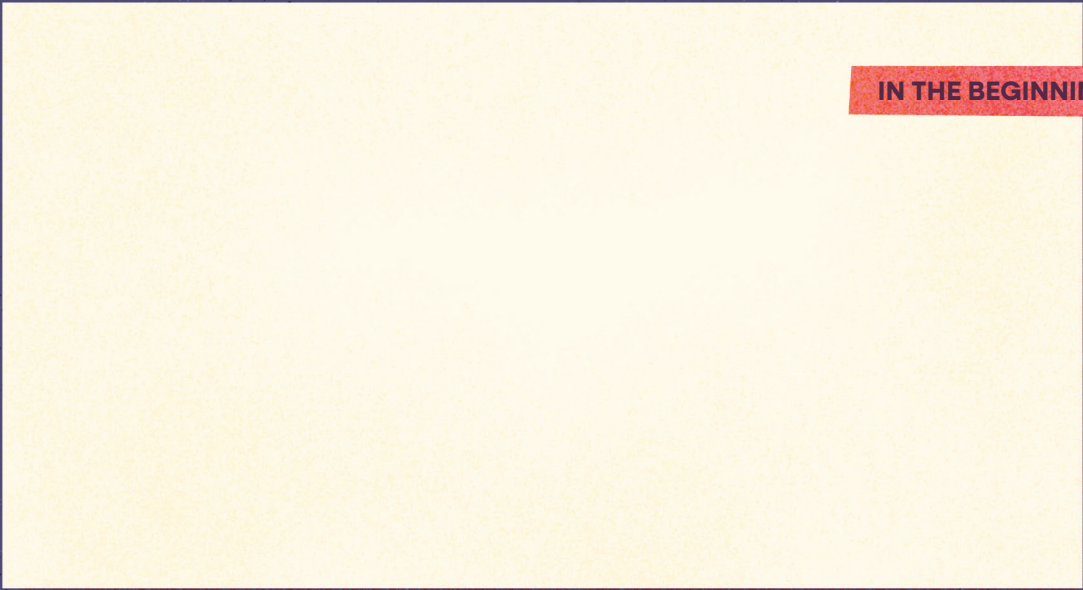


Draw what you see when you look outside.
Then draw what the world looked like at the very
beginning (see verse 2). How are they different?

TODAY



IN THE BEGINNING





Who was there when God created the world?

Mark the **two** correct answers.

GOD

**THE SPIRIT
OF GOD**

ME

How do you know that this Bible story is true?

Look up these verses and write down three ways we can know that God created the world. Unscramble the words to find out.

You can know that God
created the whole
world because every
_____ (drow)
of God is _____ (retu).
(2 Samuel 7:28)

You can know that
God created the whole world
because the heavens
_____ (cedrlae)
God's glory. (Psalm 19:1)

You can know that
God created the whole world
by _____ (thifa).
(Hebrews 11:3)

Word Bank

True

Faith

Declare

Word



Follow

ONE WAY YOU CAN
ACT ON GOD'S WORD.

The book of Hebrews tells us that it is “by faith” that we believe God created the world out of invisible things (Hebrews 11:3).

Faith is believing something is true
that you can't see (Hebrews 11:1).

Since you weren't there to see it all happen, it takes
faith to believe that God created the world.
God is calling each of us to believe that this story is true.

Who can you tell about how God created the
whole world out of invisible things?

Write some names on the lines below, and then tell them.

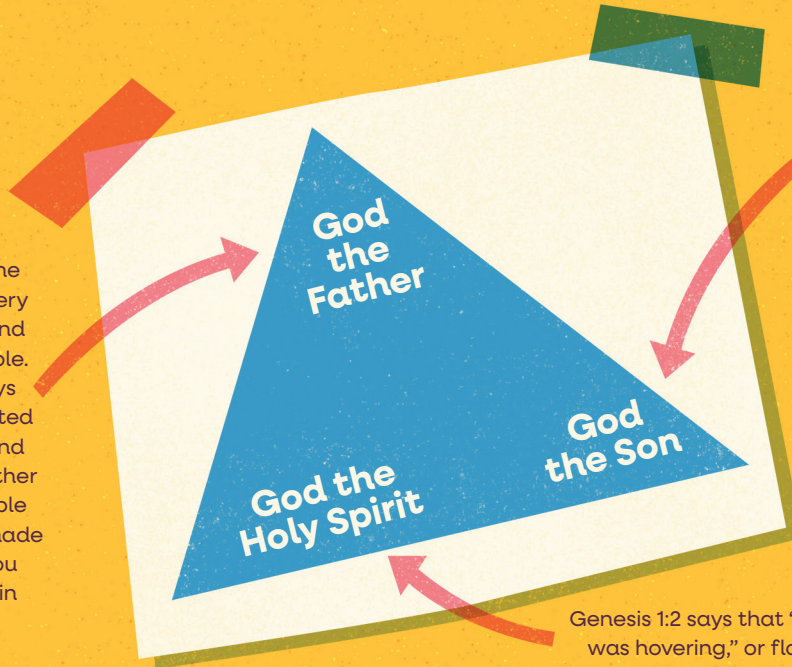
Three yellow speech bubble shapes with dashed lines for writing names. The top left bubble has two lines, the top right bubble has two lines, and the bottom center bubble has one line.

**If you want to read more about faith,
look up Hebrews 1.**

Something Else to Think About

God is one God in three persons. We call the three persons of God, the **“Trinity.”** Did you know that God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit were all there when the world was made?

We see God the Father in the very first chapter and verse of the Bible. Genesis 1:1 says that “God created the heavens and the earth.” Another place in the Bible says that God made everything. You can read this in Isaiah 44:24.



In the New Testament, you can read that Jesus was right there at the start of the world, creating it and now holding it all together. You can read more in Colossians 1:16–17.

Genesis 1:2 says that “the Spirit of God was hovering,” or floating, over the water as the world was being made.

So the one God in three persons planned and made the wonderful world we live in. And the reason the world is still here is because God is making sure of it. That’s something you can always count on.

GLOSSARY

faith (feyth): Believing something is true that you can’t see.

Trinity (tri-ni-ty): The unity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit as three persons in one God.