



Family Battle Plan

A discipleship pathway to assist parents in engaging their children on their journey of faith

Week 1: Creation

High School

Theme Verse

“Then God said, ‘Let us make man in our image, according to our likeness. They will rule the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the livestock, the whole earth, and the creatures that crawl on the earth’” (Genesis 1:26).

Objective

Creation testifies to the existence of God, and because His power and nature are understood through what He has made, people are without excuse for their disbelief and disobedience.

Teach

Have you ever thought about why God created the heavens and the earth? What is our role in all creation?

Let’s take a minute and read this week’s key verse: *“Then God said, ‘Let us make man in our image, according to our likeness. They will rule the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the livestock, the whole earth, and the creatures that crawl on the earth’” (Genesis 1:26).*

God is the Creator and has the authority to rule over us. Look around our world today and see the hand of God in creation. It didn’t just evolve or mutate into what we experience. It’s started somewhere. In this passage, we see a big truth. God is the Creator of mankind, and His creation testifies to His existence. You and I are His creation above all created things, prized and cherished. We are also made in His image, which simply means as you look at mankind, you are looking at a reflection of God Himself.

Think about it, how we interact with creation is a direct reflection of God's interaction with mankind. Just as God created and filled the earth, we too are to be fruitful and multiply. Just as God brought order in the middle of chaos, we too are to subdue the earth and to rule over creation. God has given us the authority and privilege of enjoying all He has created. He has entrusted us with the power to enjoy creation and for creation to benefit our lives. Ultimately, all of creation and our interaction with it glorifies God.

God is calling us to be good stewards of creation. We have the privilege of displaying God's glory and honoring Him every single day by enjoying His creation and interacting with it. Whether you are enjoying the sunset or being kind to your neighbor, all things can reflect God's glory. So, let's make every effort to make the most of glorifying the Lord today.

Discussion Questions

1. How does mankind abuse God's creation?
2. How can we be good stewards of God's creation?
3. We have an opportunity to reflect God's glory in creation. How?

Play

Around the table, share three valuable characteristics about each member of your family. As you do so, think about how this is a way of reflecting God and interacting with creation.

Sing

["So Will I"](#)

Live it Out

God demonstrated His love and power through creation. He has given us authority to rule over and enjoy it. We can live this truth out by being kind to those around us. Slow down and reflect on the Lord when you see a sunset or enjoy the spring colors. In the moments when you see bullying or oppression, speak up. Give out compliments like a grandpa standing at the back of the church handing out mints!

Closing Prayer

Dear God, thank You for Your creation. May You find me faithful to reflect Your glory in all of creation. Forgive me in the moments when I have made it all about me. I truly desire to make You known to those around me and to walk in obedience according to Your plan for my life. Amen.