

God's Garden

(Genesis 1–2)

In the beginning there was nothing but God. "Let there be light," he said, and just like that, there was light. God made the blue sky, the green grass, twinkling stars, and a shining sun. He made chirping birds, wiggly fish, and furry animals, too. Then God made a man named Adam and a woman named Eve. God planted a garden and put the man and woman in it. God's garden was their home. And God said, "This is very good!"

God made everything and everyone. Look around the garden. Where did God put the yellow sun? Do you see the green grass? Point to the brown bunny. Can you wave to Adam and Eve?

Noah and the Ark

(Genesis 6–9)

God was sad. Only Noah still loved God and listened to him. One day God told Noah to build a big boat called an ark. Noah's neighbors laughed at him, but Noah worked until the ark was finished. Then God called two of every kind of animal to come inside the ark. Suddenly, it began to rain. It rained for forty days! The earth was covered with water, but Noah's family and all the animals were safe.

God calls each of us by name. Noah needs help to call the animals. Can you say "moo" like a cow? What sound does a duck make? What about a dog?

God's Promise to Abraham (Genesis 15–21)

Abraham loved God and talked to him every day. One night God said, "Look up at the stars. Can you count them?" There were too many stars to count. "You will have even more children than that," God said. Abraham wondered what God meant. He and his wife Sarah were already old and did not have any children. Still, Abraham believed God, and Sarah gave birth to a baby boy. Everyone was surprised!

Can you help Abraham count the stars? God gave Abraham more children and grandchildren than there are stars in the sky. God always keeps his promises.

Moses Leads God's People (Exodus 3, 13–14)

God's people were slaves in Egypt. God made a plan to save them, and he sent Moses to lead the way. "Remember this day," Moses said, "for God has set us free!"

Moses led the people out of Egypt to the edge of a great sea. Then God told Moses to lift his arms over the water. God split the sea in two and a path of dry land appeared! God's people walked across to the other side.

Imagine you are Moses. Stand and raise your hands over your head. Now open your arms wide to the sides. The sea opens in front of you. People can't move oceans, but God can do anything!