

Simple Points to Teach Your Child about Creation

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The best place to start when talking to your child about creation is the Bible. Open it up and walk your children through the verses found in Genesis 1-3 while you make these specific points:

1. Genesis 1:1 teaches that “in the beginning, *God created* the heavens and the earth.” This verse is particularly important to teach children, as it shows them God is a) all powerful (omnipotent) and b) knows everything (omniscient). This verse alone shows the *Power of God*, which the rest of the Bible supports.
2. Genesis 1:1-31 teaches that God created all things differently. By simply *speaking them into existence*, God created the land, seas, plants, sun, moon, earth, lights, birds, creeping animals, and humans. He did not throw a match into the air and walk away. He spoke them into being. These verses show the *Order and Distinction of Creation*.
3. Genesis 1:26 shows the conversation between God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. He said, “Let us make man in our likeness. Let them rule over the fish in the waters and the birds of the air. Let them rule over the livestock and over the whole earth. Let them rule over all of the creatures that move along the ground.” By making man and woman in His image, He made us *different from* the rest of creation. These verses show *how special you are to God*.
4. God told Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply, and to fill the earth and subdue it (or take care of everything He had made). This is the *Purpose of What God Made*.
5. When God was finished, He said it was all good (numerous verses). In the beginning, God made everything perfect and called it good. *God* doesn’t make bad things, but because of peoples’ sin, nothing on earth is perfect now.
6. God didn’t just create everything, put Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, and say goodbye. He wanted *fellowship with people*. One way He chose to have fellowship with them was by giving people an understanding of what was right and wrong (by forbidding them to eat from a specific tree in the Garden). When Adam and Eve ate of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, then sin entered the world. Because sin entered the world, Jesus came to save us from our sin.