

UNIT 1: CREATIVITY • LESSON 4:

“God Creates Helpers”

GENESIS 2:15-23

CREATIVITY

The process of imagining and making something, like God imagined and created the world.

BIBLE STORY:

There are 2 creation stories in the Bible, both in Genesis. In this second story we hear more about God's good creation and the infamous Garden of Eden. God places humans (Adam and Eve) in the garden. This part of the story reminds us that we are tasked with caring for creation together as **PARTNERS** with each other and with God. We become responsible for our actions and how we help one another.



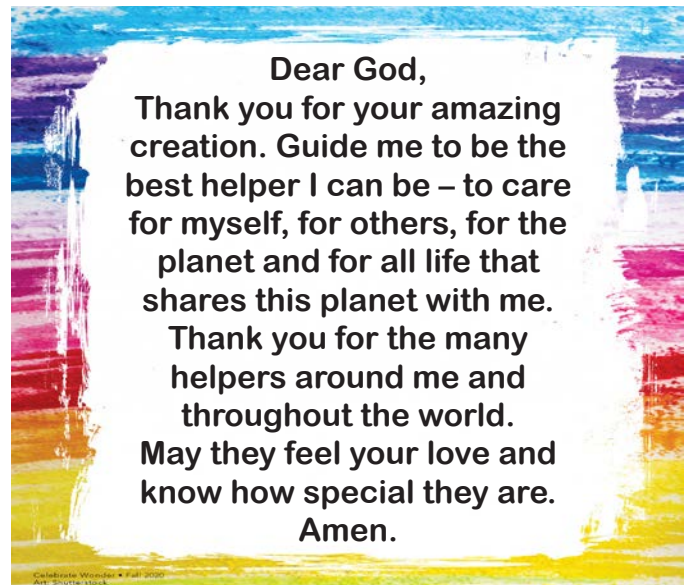
God took soil and formed it into the first human. God blew life into the human, and the human came to life. God asked the human to farm in the garden of Eden. The human helped God care for the plants and animals.

But the human was lonely. God said, “It’s not good for the human to be alone. I will make a partner. They will help each other take care of the garden.” God made animals and birds, but none of the animals were the right partner for the human. So, God put the human to sleep and made a second human, Eve. The man said, “This one is the perfect partner! Together we will help take care of the garden.”

God asked the humans to name all of the living things. The humans were co-creators together and with God to bring forth a peaceful and beautiful world.

Humans need each other and creation needs us. When the environment is healthy, we are healthy. Being helpers and caring for the wellbeing of ourselves, our environment and the living things on our planet is God's desire for us.

Sometimes beauty is in the way we interact with one another. Helping one another is a way that we can bring light to one another and continue God's creation of beauty in the world.



WONDER QUESTIONS & ACTIVITIES:

- Why do you think God created helpers?
- God asked the helpers to name all of the animals and plants. Where did your name come from?
- Who are the helpers in your life?
- What 3 things can you do this week to be a helper? What actions are not helpful?
- Where do you think our planet needs help?
- Spend some time outside this week and wonder about God's creation. What would you create to help the world?

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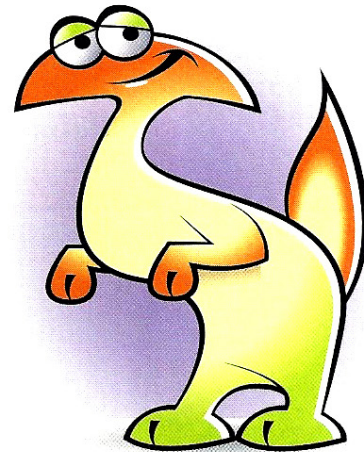
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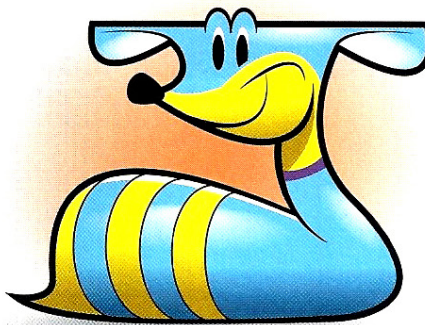
These animals sure do look strange. What do you think they should be called? Name the animals. Be creative!



Name me!



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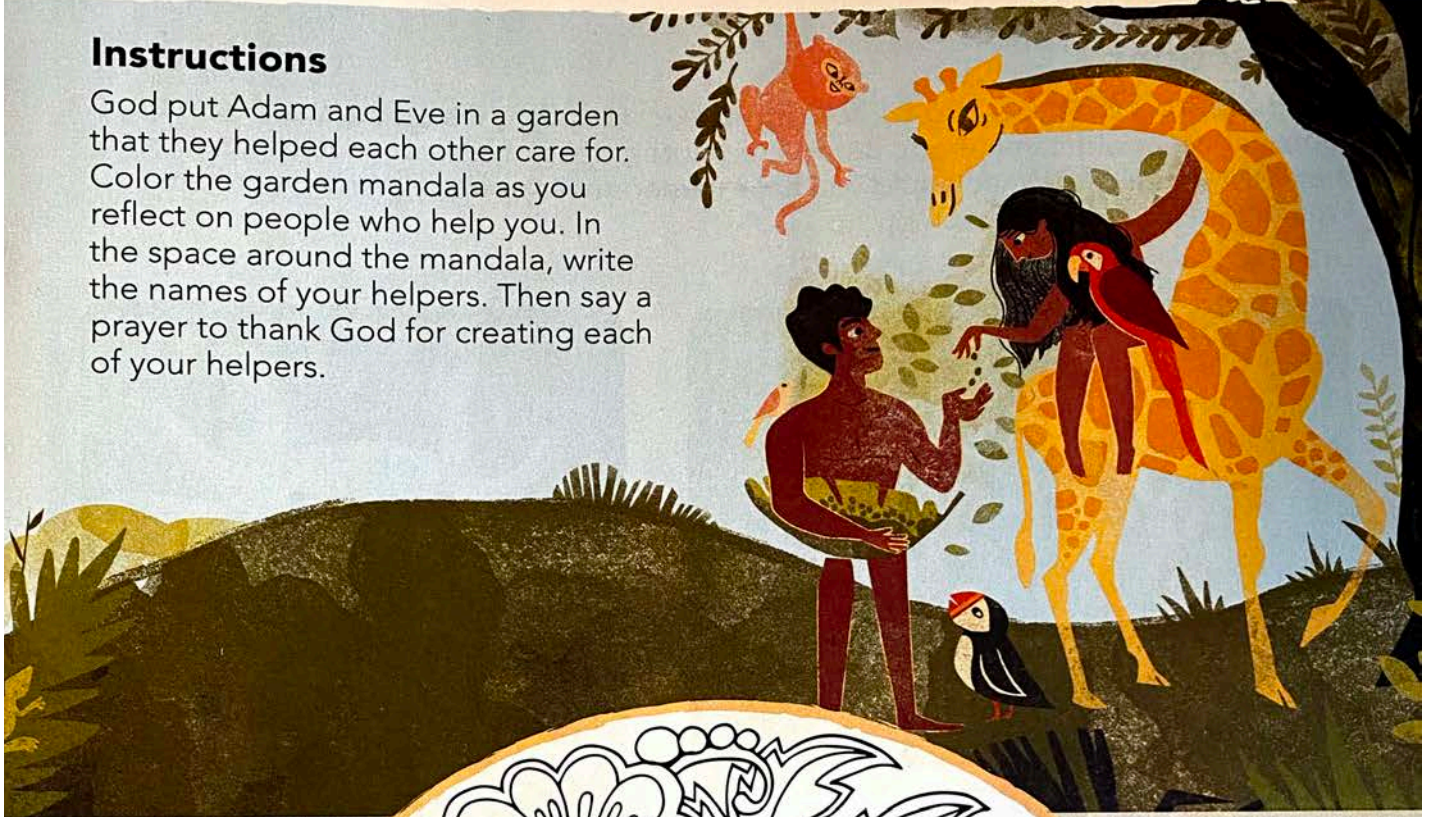
Who Are Your Helpers?

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Instructions

God put Adam and Eve in a garden that they helped each other care for. Color the garden mandala as you reflect on people who help you. In the space around the mandala, write the names of your helpers. Then say a prayer to thank God for creating each of your helpers.



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Name Game

Roll one die. Move your playing piece to the correct space. Follow the instructions on the game space by naming the items. The first player to reach FINISH, wins. Play with a friend or a group.

