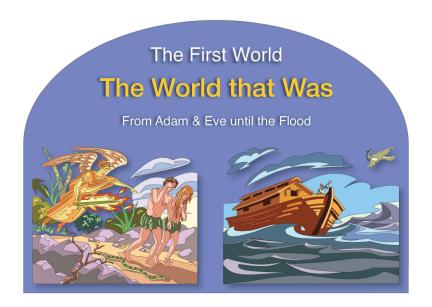


Christian Teaching Material for Children Part 2 "In the Beginning"

Booklet A

(Suitable for ages 4-8)

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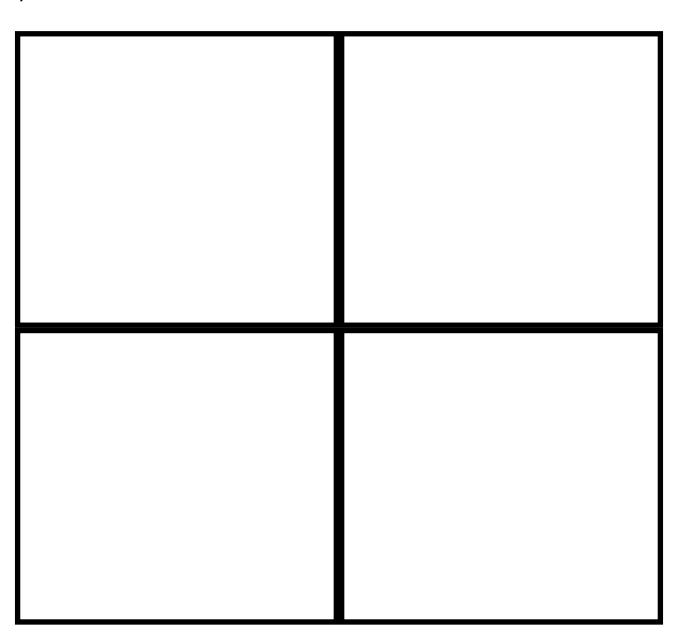
Where Did God Come from?

God has always been there, and he always will be. The Bible tells us that God has no beginning and no end. He was not created because he was always there.

He was the one who made everything. He made you!

God knew you before you were born, and he will always love you.

Draw in the boxes four important things that have happened in your life.



In the Garden of Eden



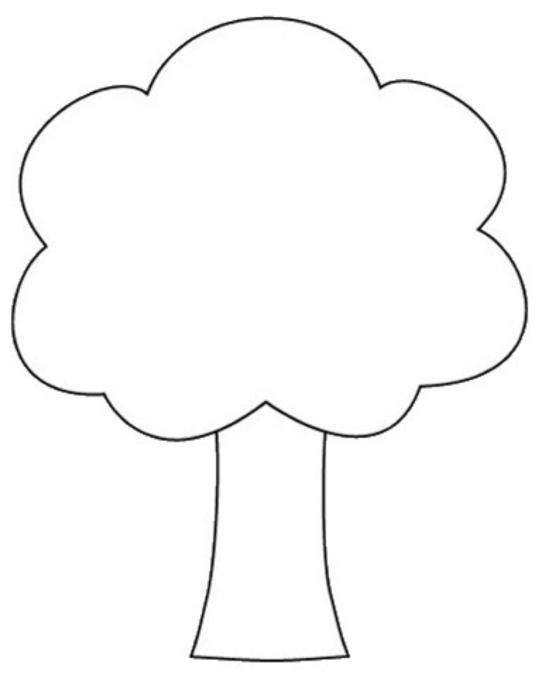
 \rightarrow Read about the first people in Genesis 1:26-30.

The first people were called Adam and Eve. God gave them a special garden to live in. It was called the Garden of Eden.

Adam and Eve looked after the animals and plants. They were friends with God, and he looked after them.

There were lots of fruit trees in the Garden of Eden.

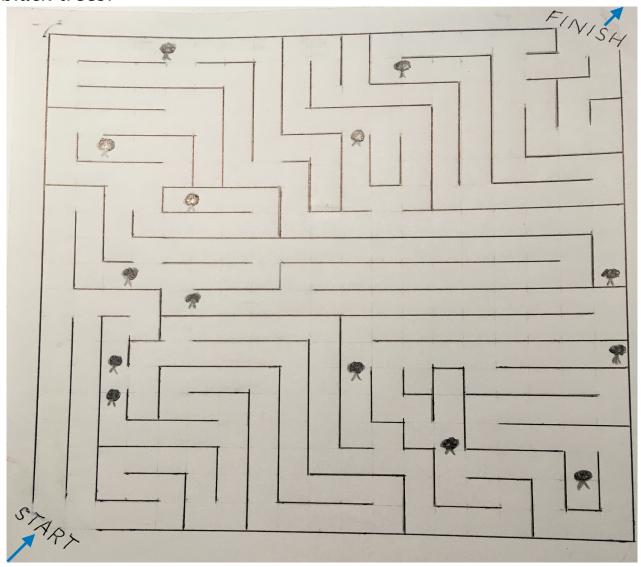
On this tree, draw your favourite fruit. You can add some animals around the tree. Can you hide a snake somewhere in the picture?



Breaking the Rules

There was only one tree that Adam and Eve could not touch. It was the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. Adam and Eve were not allowed to eat its fruit.

Can you find your way through the maze without touching any black trees?



Satan was a messenger of God who broke God's rules and was not friends with God any more. He appeared to Eve as a snake to trick her. He told her that if she ate the fruit that God had told her not to touch, she would become like God.

Eve ate the fruit. Then Eve gave some to Adam, and he ate the fruit too.

They broke God's rules.

Punishment

God still loved Adam and Eve, but because they broke his rules, he sent them out of the special garden. They had to work hard to grow food and make their own clothes.



Draw a house for Adam and Eve to live in.



One Obedient Man

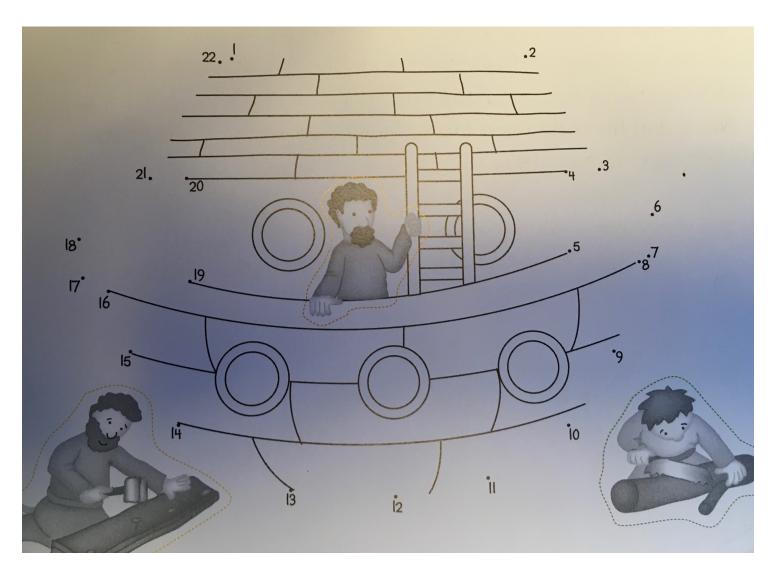
Adam and Eve had many children and grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. Soon there were people everywhere.

But the people did not all follow God's way. They were selfish and cruel and they fought each other a lot.

God decided to destroy these wicked people with a big flood.

But there was one man who was obedient to God. His name was Noah. God decided to save Noah and his family.

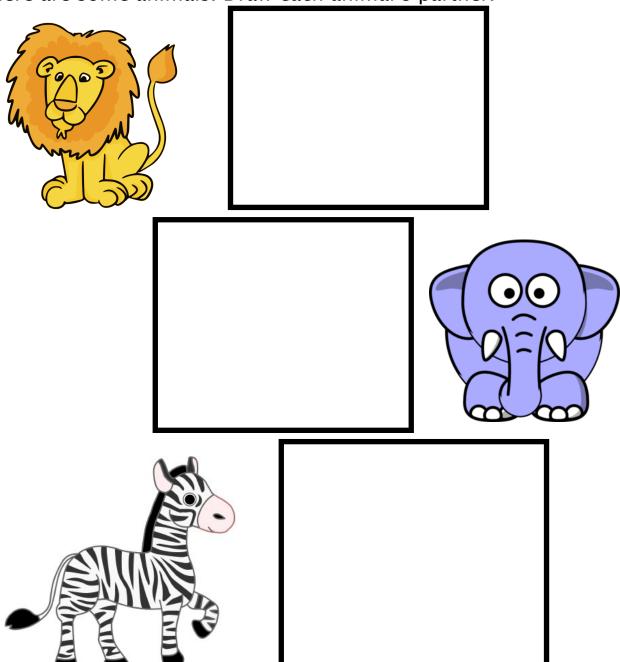
God told Noah and his family to build something to keep them safe from the flood. Join the dots to find out what it was.



Noah's Boat

Noah and his family built a big boat. God told Noah to take two of every kind of animal onto the boat with him.

Here are some animals. Draw each animal's partner.



When Noah and his family and all the animals were safely on the boat, God sent rain. It rained for forty days!

The water covered even the highest mountains and washed away all the wicked people. Noah and his family stayed on the boat for a long time until God told them it was safe to get off.

God's Promise

When Noah and his family left the boat, God made a rainbow appear in the sky. This was a sign of his promise that he would never ever flood the whole world again. God always keeps his promises.

Colour the rainbow in the picture.

