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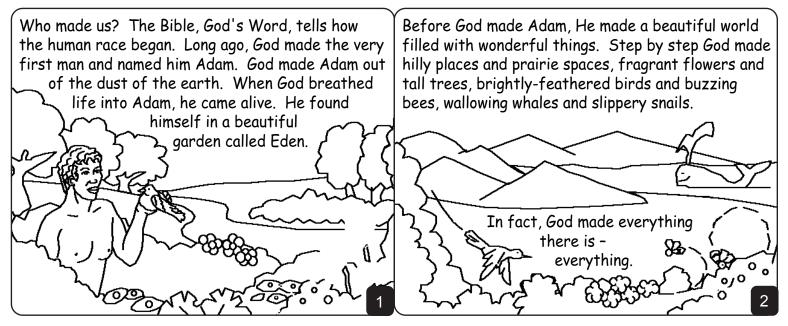
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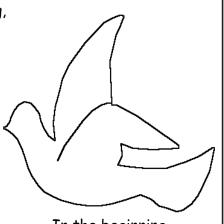
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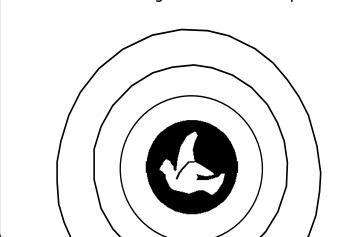
In the very beginning, before God made anything, there was nothing except God. No people or places or things. Nothing. No light and no darkness. No up and no down. No yesterday and no tomorrow. There was only God Who had no beginning. Then God acted!



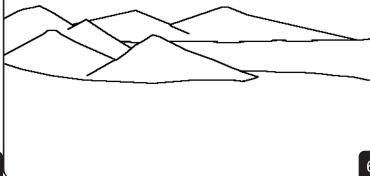
In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.

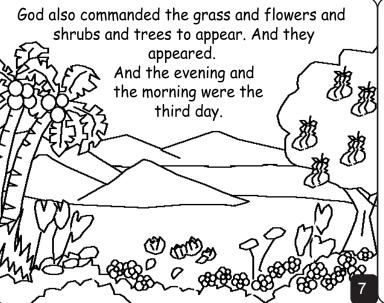
And the earth was without form and void.
And darkness was on the face of the deep.
Then God spoke.
"Let there be light."

And there was light. God called the light Day and the darkness He called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.



On the second day, God brought the waters of the oceans, seas and lakes into order under Heaven. On the third day, God said, "Let the dry land appear." And it happened.





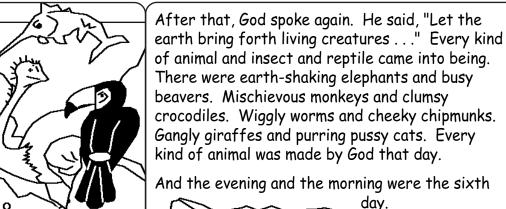
Then God made the sun, and the moon, and so many stars that nobody can count them.

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Sea creatures and fish and birds were next on God's list. On the fifth day He made big swordfish and tiny sardines, long-legged ostriches and happy little humming birds. God made every kind of fish to fill earth's waters and every kind of bird to enjoy the land and sea and sky.

And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

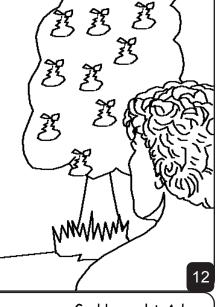




God did something else on the sixth day something very special. Everything was now ready for Man. There was food in the fields and animals to serve him. And God said,



God spoke to
Adam. "Eat
what you wish
from the
garden. But
do not eat from
the tree of the
knowledge of
good and evil.
If you eat from
that tree you
will surely die."



And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone. I will make a helper for him." God brought all the birds and beasts to

brought all the birds and beasts t Adam. Adam named them all. He must have been very clever to do so. But among all the birds and beasts there was no suitable partner for Adam.



God brought Adam into a deep, deep sleep. Removing one of the sleeping man's ribs, God formed Woman from Adam's rib. The woman God made was exactly right to be a partner for Adam.

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