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# LESSON 1: THERE IS ONE GOD— THE BLESSED TRINITY

Directions: Cut out the boxes. Glue one box in each leaf.



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### **Concepts of Faith**

#### How many Gods are there?

There is one God, and there are three persons in the one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

#### What do we call the three persons in one God?

We call the three persons in one God the Blessed Trinity.

## Correspondence to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Belief in one God: CCC 199-202, 228

The implications of faith in one God: CCC 222–27, 229

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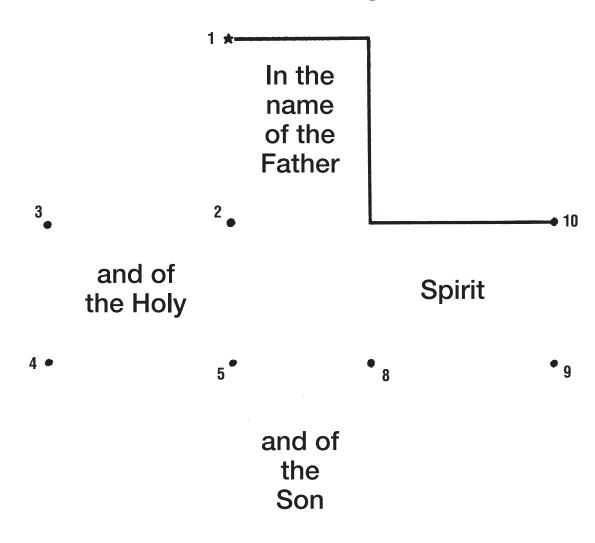
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Review the Sign of the Cross and the Glory Be with your child:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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Directions: Connect the dots and color the picture.



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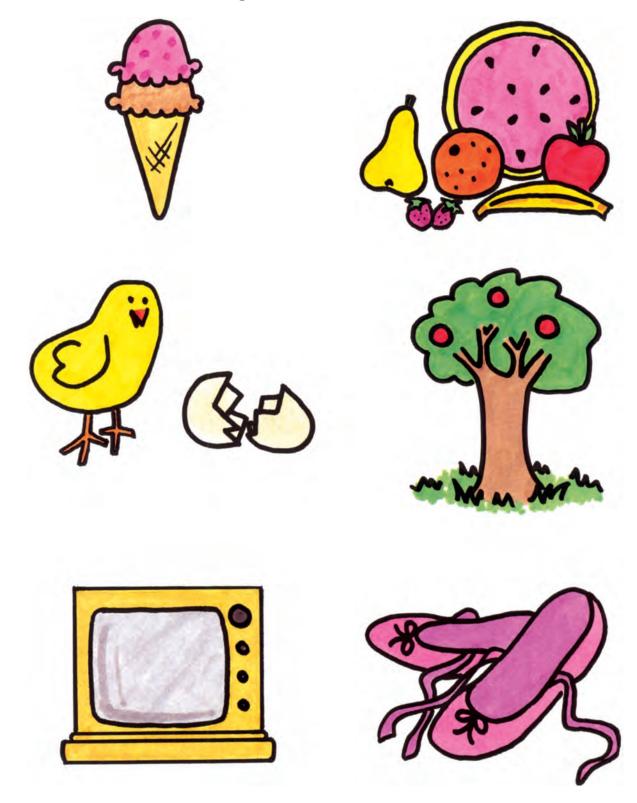
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# LESSON 2: WE SEE GOD IN THE WORLD AROUND US—CREATION

Directions: Circle the things God has made.



God made the whole world and everything in it.

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The story for this lesson is an adaptation of Genesis 1:1–31. We call God Creator because he made the world and everything in it from nothing. God made all the things in the world for people to use. We can use all the things God made, but we cannot use other people. We love, praise, and thank God for the wonderful world he has given us.

#### **Concepts of Faith**

#### Who made the world and everything in it?

God made the world and everything in it.

#### Who is our Creator?

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### Correspondence to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

The Creator: CCC 279-81

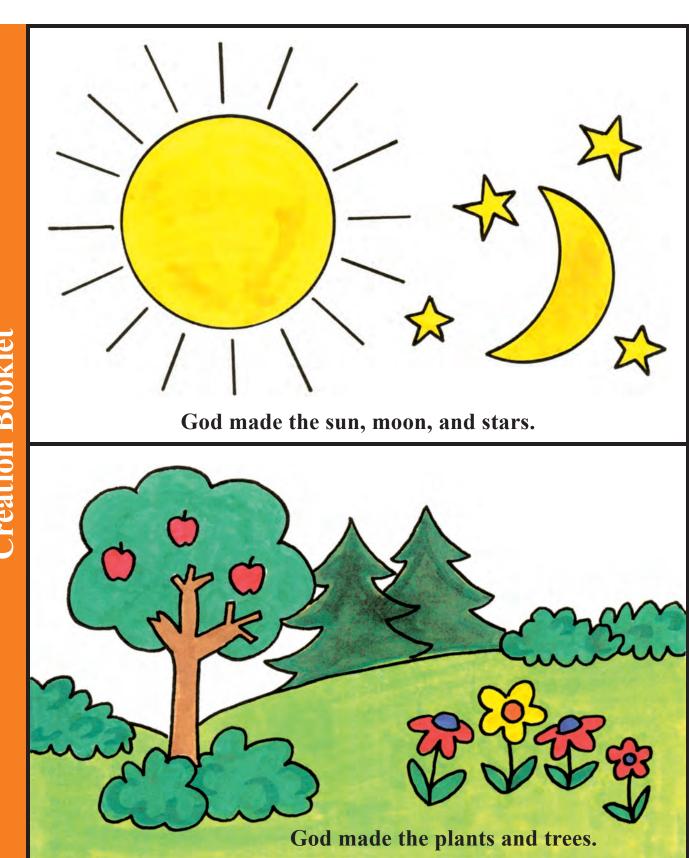
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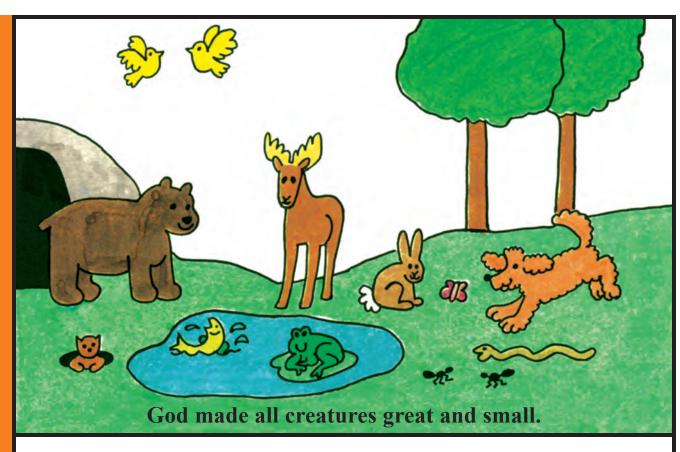
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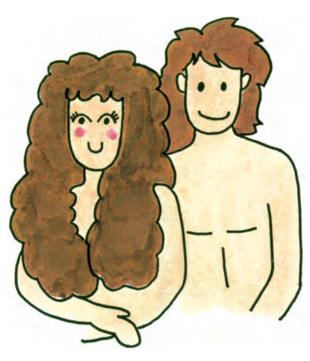
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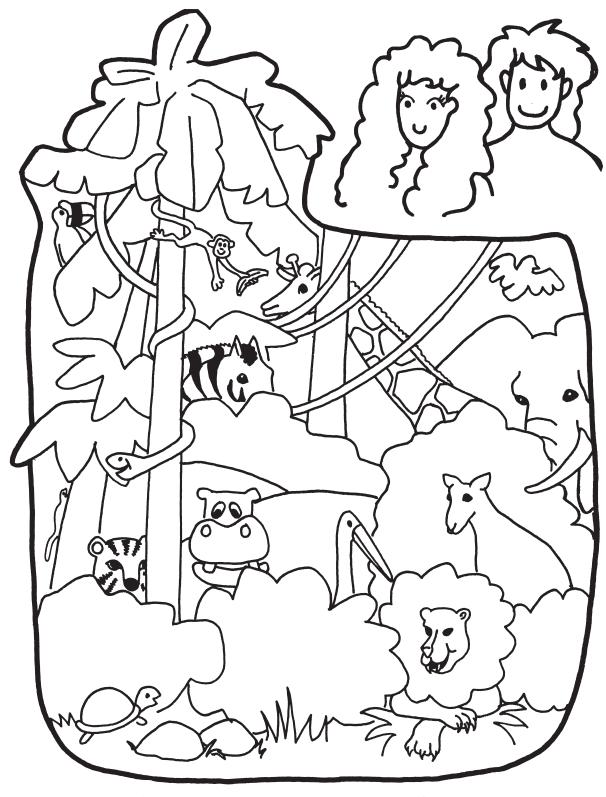




God made Adam and Eve in his image.

# LESSON 3: I AM SPECIAL TO GOD, WHO MADE ME

Directions: Find and color the hidden animals.



Adam and Eve named the animals.

### Lesson 3: I Am Special to God, Who Made Me

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## **Concepts of Faith**

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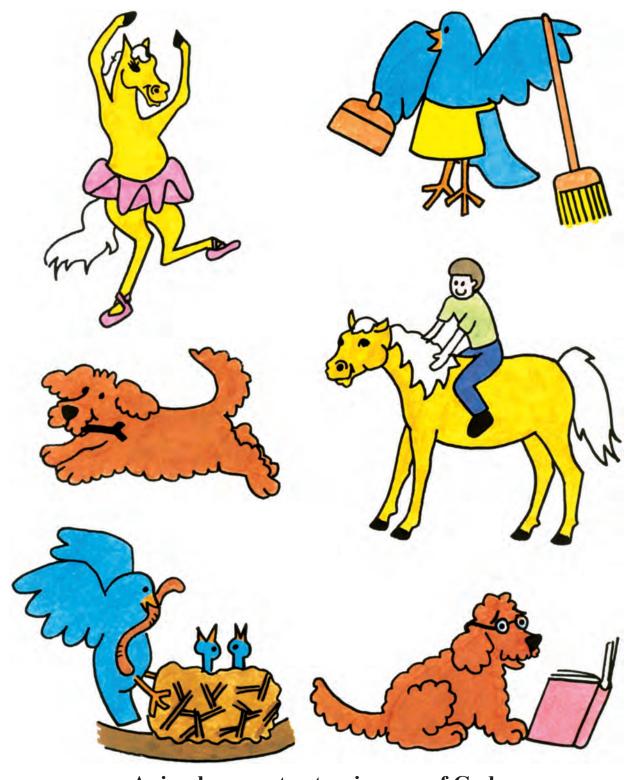
Equality and difference willed by God: CCC 369

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Directions: Circle the things animals can do.



Animals cannot act as images of God. Only persons are made in the image of God.

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# LESSON 4: ACTIONS AND ATTITUDES— THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Directions: Help Moses climb the mountain.



God gave Moses the Ten Commandments.

#### Lesson 4: Actions and Attitudes—The Ten Commandments

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## **Concepts of Faith**

#### How should we show our love for God?

We should show our love for God by choosing to follow the Commandments that he gave us.

## Correspondence to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

The Old Law: CCC 1962

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# **Suggested Activity**

Work together with your child on a small project or task. Have your child help you make a cake, wash the car, set the table, make a bed, etc. Point out the steps or directions you follow to do this project or task the correct way.

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Directions: Connect the lines and color the tablets.



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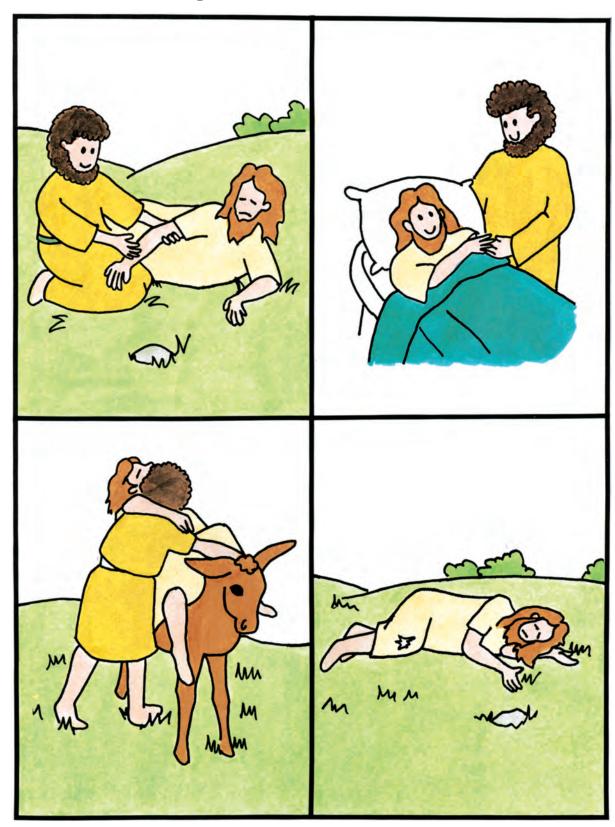
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# LESSON 5: LOVE OTHERS AS GOD LOVES YOU

Directions: Cut out the pictures. Put them in the correct order.



#### **Lesson 5: Love Others as God Loves You**

The story for this lesson is an adaptation of Luke 10:30–37. We are made in the image of God to do what God does. God loves us; God loves everyone. This means that because God loves us and everyone, we should love ourselves and everyone else. First we should love God, then we should love ourselves, and then we should love others as God loves us. When we love others, we make ourselves happy because we are acting as God made us to act.

## **Concepts of Faith**

#### Whom does God love?

God loves everyone.

#### Whom are we to love?

We are to love God, ourselves, and everyone else.

### Correspondence to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

God, "He Who Is", is Truth and Love: CCC 214, 231

God is Love: *CCC* 221, 231

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# **Suggested Activity**

Give your child an extra hug. Say, "I love you."

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Directions: Match the action to the place.



We show our love for God in different ways.

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