

Reading: Genesis Chapter 1 verses 1 to 9

Why do we come to Sunday School? We come to Sunday School because God wants us to learn all about Him from the most important book in the world, the Bible. The Bible was written by Men, whom God appointed to tell us all about Him and His teachings, this book is God's book. Our fathers and mothers read from the Bible everyday and we are very fortunate to have parents who wish us to know all about it too.

Today we are going to start right at the beginning of the Bible and learn about how, in the beginning, God made everything. It took God six days to make everything and on the seventh day God rested, so today we are going to learn what God made in the first three days.

What sort of things do you like to make? Do you help mummy or Daddy make things around the house? In the beginning, a long time ago, God made everything, but he too had helpers. He had Angels to help him. We never see Angels, but they are still here helping God. They are able to take care of us today, so if we love God and do everything that is pleasing to Him, like coming to Sunday School or being obedient to our parents, we will have an Angel watching over us, so we need never be afraid.

In the beginning there was no light, the whole earth was in darkness, there was nothing living or growing on this earth. So the first thing God made was light. Why was light so important? Because everything God was going to make and place on the earth would not live without light; plants, animals, men and women would all die without light. So God divided up the light from the Darkness, which we call day and night. We work and play in the daytime and night time is for sleep and rest.

2nd DAY: At first all the earth was covered with a mist. (Mist is like a fog we get some mornings when we wake up and look out the window and can't see anything except a white cloud.) God, with His great power, caused the mist to lift up from the earth and it formed clouds, leaving a space between the waters on the earth and the Clouds in the sky, which is also called Heaven.

At this stage the earth was covered with water, so 3rd DAY: on the third day God gathered the waters together and made dry land. We call the waters seas, oceans, lakes, rivers, ponds and streams. Have you ever been to the beach and swam in the sea or watched some ducks on a pond? So now that God had divided the earth into Water and dry land He was ready to make all the things that grow in the ground and the water. So God made all the things we see growing on the earth. He made food for the animals to eat, plants and grass and food for us to eat, vegetables and fruit. But not all that grows on the earth is for food. There are flowers and plants and trees which are very beautiful which we enjoy seeing all the different colours and shapes.

And so by the third day, this beautiful earth was all ready to be lived on, filled with beautiful flowers and fruits, all in readiness for our next lesson when we learn how God made the Sun, Moon and Stars to keep all the plants and food growing and the living things on the earth.

Point to remember:- That God made <u>all</u> things.