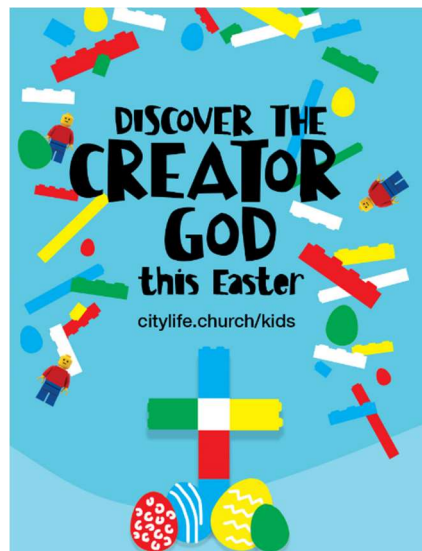


CREATOR GOD



MORE ABOUT THIS LESSON

Jesus taught his disciples about His Father's Kingdom. It was not like an earthly Kingdom. His plan is for us to be part of the kingdom and then carry that kingdom message to everyone. We are created to bring heaven to earth and share the good news with everyone.

THEME: Creator God – we have been created to create kingdom opportunities on earth.

KEY PASSAGE: Romans 12:6/ Eph 2:10 (NLT)

VERSE FOR THE MONTH: “We are God’s creation. He created us to belong to Christ Jesus. Now we can do good works.” Eph 2:10 (NIRV)

BIG IDEA: I am created to do good works for God.”

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BIBLE MESSAGE

We've been talking about God as the Creator God. We learnt that He created us in His own image and we are wonderfully made. We also learnt that He created us to connect with Him and help others connect to Him. He gave us the Holy Spirit to live in us so we can do powerful things for Him.

By being a creation of the Creator God we are His special messengers on earth. If you can imagine, Jesus is the King of a Kingdom and we are like his princes and princesses. Our jobs as princes and princesses is to take the message of the king to all the people in a kingdom. Jesus wants us to take His message of 'love' and freedom to everyone so that everyone can connect with Him and live the wonderful life He created us to live.

In Jer 29:11, God says "I have good plans for you, not plans to hurt you. I will give you hope and a good future." (EXB). God's plans for us – every one of us – is a good plan. But to know this good plan, we have to be connected to Him and know Him. As we grow in our friendship with God He tells us what this good plan is for our lives. But he also wants us to tell others about His love and the good plan He has for them. That's why we talk about the GOOD NEWS, because God's plan for us is good and that's good news.

So how would you tell your friends who are not Christ-followers this GOOD NEWS? Let me show you a creative way using colour and Lego to explain what it means to be a Christ-follower.

- **(yellow family house) HEAVEN:** This yellow family house is heaven. God loves us and wants us to be part of His family with Him in Heaven some day. That was always God's purpose for our lives. To live a good life on earth, being His friend and then one day spending eternity in heaven with Him.
- **(dark heart) SIN:** This dark heart is SIN. Because we have all made wrong choices, or sin, we could not be with God. Why can't sin be in heaven? Well our sin separates us from God. God is too Holy to be near sin, so we are separated and need a solution to get connected to God.
- **(red cross) JESUS:** The red cross is Jesus. Jesus took the punishment of our sins by dying on the cross. This means that we don't have to pay for our sin and God will not punish us for it, because Jesus was punished in our place. Jesus is the lego piece that reconnects us back to God.
- **(pure heart) CLEAN:** The pure white heart is our 'clean heart'. When we become a Christ-follower and make Jesus our Saviour, we are made clean from sin. We can go to Heaven some day – and, most importantly, we can bring it to Earth now – simply by sharing His message of love and freedom!
- **(green tree) GROW:** The green tree is our growth. It is important to grow in our friendship,

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LEARNING with Jesus every day. Here's how to grow:

- Listen (*Bring big ears or Cardboard picture to show*) to what He is saying each day,
- Talk (*Big Lips or picture*) to Him,
- Read (*Big Glasses*) His book and
- Thank (*Large Heart*) Him for everything He has done for you.
- Look (*Binoculars*) for ways every day to bring Heaven to Earth, like sharing about something great that Jesus has done for you; or about a prayer that Jesus answered.

We're going to practise telling the good news together now. So let's quickly recap and I want you to tell what it is:

Yellow Family House? God wants everyone to go to Heaven.

Dark Heart? Our sin separates us from God.

Red Cross? Jesus dies for our sins.

Pure Heart? We can have a clean heart and be free from sin.

Green Tree? We can grow in our friendship with God and tell others about Him.

I hope you'll be able to remember this next time you want to share the good news?

Our **Memory Verse** for the month is "We are God's creation. He created us to belong to Christ Jesus. Now we can do good works." Eph 2:10 (NIRV). This verse tells us that we belong to Jesus and we are created by Him to do good works. As we belong to King Jesus, we are his messengers on earth with a purpose to tell others about Him. We've been created by Creator God to connect to Him and then to tell others how wonderful it is to be connected to God.

Our **Big Idea** today is "I am created to do good works for God." God has got a good plan for you and everyone around you. When you connect with God you can do good works for Him and enjoy his good plan.

Let's pray

Dear God, thank you that you loved us so much that you gave us Jesus. We want to be your messengers you and tell everyone about your love and freedom. Help us to always be connected. We love you. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

SALVATION OPPORTUNITY: Before I go, I want to do something very important. I want to pray for everyone who wants to be a Christ-follower. If you've never asked Jesus into your heart to be your Lord and Saviour; or even if you did, but feel you want to do it again, then I want to pray for you. If you want Jesus in your life and want to do good works, then I'm going to pray. Let's all bow our heads and close our eyes.

- (Pray a prayer of salvation) "If you said this prayer, then I want you to tell an adult so we can celebrate with you. Everyone is going to be cheering you because this is the best decision you will ever make in your life. (*They can raise hands and have all kids clap and cheer their decisions, just like heaven is celebrating*)

Yay, see you next time kids! Bye