

In the beginning God created the universe

we can see



we can't see



GOD WAS THERE

GOD SPOKE & HE WANTED ... All was good & had ability to reproduce itself (want sense of God's close involvement & authority)	LIGHT	Good, separate from darkness
	Spoke many times – each times something wonderful for our world	
	Separated waters	To make area for sky
	Moved waters to one place	To reveal the land
	Lights in the sky	Bigger one for day – sun; smaller ones for night – moon & stars
	Vegetation	Trees, flowers, fruits; ability to reproduce
	Animals in the water & birds in the sky	Many, all different kinds
	Land animals	Big to teeny weeny insects
	Man (called Adam) & woman (called Eve)	Patterned after Him; made man from dust of earth; God breathed life into him & put him in garden to care for it
GARDEN	Place on earth full of fruit trees At centre of garden – 2 trees: Tree of Life & Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil CANNOT EAT FRUIT FROM THE TREE OF KNOWLEDGE	
WOMAN	NOT GOOD THAT MAN IS ALONE; God put the man to sleep and took part of his side and formed the woman; the man was happy and knew the woman was like him	
Jobs/Work	Man and woman to take care of the earth and everything in it; they are to multiply; both naked, but without shame	
After God created man & woman, He knew His creation was finished		
<u>ALL GOOD</u>		♀♂ ✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓✓
Next day was to be a special day		

Weekly Meditation and Reflection

1. Find something in nature that awes you, whether it's a mighty tree or a simple, single petal from a flower. Spend some time studying it – gazing on its details as you retell this story to yourself. What new light does this story shed on your experience of nature? If you like to draw (or have always wanted to!) try sketching it as you listen to praise music.
2. Read some or all of the following passages during your times with God this week. How do these passages speak to you more deeply after having learned the creation story?
 - a. Psalm 33
 - b. Psalm 104
 - c. Psalm 139
 - d. Psalm 8
 - e. Job 26:7-14