Truly Great To Know God

1.1 God of Creation

Bible Verse: Genesis 1:1,31

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

God saw all that He had made and it was very good.

Proclaim: It is God who made us and we belong to Him.

Truth: God, the Most High, created everything in the Universe and is in control of all things. His purpose for creating mankind is

that man and woman may belong to Him. Thus we all belong to God.

Scripture Reference: Genesis 1:1-27

Lesson: (1) <u>God created all by His mighty words</u> – The Bible states that in the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and empty. Darkness was over the surface of the deep.

By God's mighty words, He had created the heavens and the earth, for the Lord God said, "Let there be light!" and there was light. "By the word of the Lord were the heavens made." (Genesis 1: 1-3; Psalm 33:6)

(2) God made man in His own image — The Bible recorded that the earth and the heavens belong to God. "The heavens are yours, and yours also the earth; you founded the world and all that is in it."

The Lord God created many things. Countless things have been created by Him: the marvelous giraffe and the lovable elephant, etc. But of all creation, God esteems man as the most special, because God had created man and woman in His own image. (Psalm 89:11; Genesis 1:26,27)

- (3) God's great love for man and woman The Bible states also that God loves mankind very much. God's love is patient and kind. "It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." Therefore, we understand that God loves us all and that He always believes, always hopes and always perseveres in His great love for us. (I Corinthians 13:4,7)
- (4) <u>Man ought to worship and serve God</u> "Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His." *We must serve the Lord our God gladly because He is our Creator. He is worthy of our eternal worship and honor.* (Psalm 100:1-3)

Conclusion: God created us because of His great love for us.

Thus our lives belong to Him and we must live according to His purposes.

You Will Need:	A BIBLE; VISUAL AIDS- Lesson Title and Memory verse Picture/Drawing of creation - sun, moon, fruits, animals, birds, man & woman; fruits for refreshments/break time
BIBLE STORY NARRATION	Genesis 1:1-27 The amazing story of Creation
SHOW & TELL	Narrate the Bible passage, showing the visual aids 1. It was God who had brought the earth and all living things, man & woman into being and order. 2. God did this because of His great love. 3. God's love "always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres." (1 Corinthians13:7) (FRUITS PARTY - several kinds of fruits for refreshments)
PRAY	Ask God to enable us to know and to love Him more.



