

Read: Genesis 1:1–2:3

The Mightiest

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Do you remember singing the song, “My God is So Great,” as a little child? Even if you don’t, there are actions that accompany the words of the song. For example, you might flex your muscles when you sing the words, “So strong and so mighty.” Or, you might move your arm up and down to show the waves as you sing, “The rivers are His.” It’s a fun song and oh, so true! Our God *is* so strong! He *is* so mighty. There is nothing our God cannot do.

When we open our Bibles and read the story of Creation, we are reminded of the awesome things that God has done. He spoke the words, “Let there be” and then there was! Just like that. Imagine for a moment that you really wanted an ice cream cone in your hands. Could you, just by saying the words, “let there be,” make that ice cream cone appear? Of course not! You do not have the almighty power to make something happen out of nothing, but God does. God simply spoke the words and the world was created.

Think of all of the colors of the rainbow. The red tulips, the orange sun, the yellow fish, the green blades of grass, the blue shades of water, the violet hues of the evening sky, and the indigo blueberries. God created every color imaginable. What a beautiful world he has created. What an amazing display of his power in the verses of our text.

And to think, out of all of the impressive parts of his creation, he considers *you* the most important. You are his favorite. He knit you together in your mother’s womb, and now you are to use your whole being to worship him. He is most worthy of your praise.

There are many powerful people in this world—presidents, kings, leaders of huge companies, just to name a few. And while they are powerful, they are no different than you because they were created by the same God who created you. Their power is under God’s control. Their power will never match the one that placed the stars in the sky and pushes the waves back from the shore.

You were created by someone who loves you. Who made a beautiful world for you. You have a strong and a mighty God. There is nothing that he cannot do.

The questions below are to help families discuss this devotion. The questions are divided by age group as suggestions, but anyone could reflect on any of the questions as they desire.

Questions for the Younger Children

- Name the colors of the rainbow. Then, think of something that God created for each color.
- Listen to someone read Genesis 1. What is your favorite part of God's creation?

Questions for Elementary Age Children

- Read Genesis 1:26. How does it prove that *you* are the most special part of God's creation?
- Give at least two ways that people do not take care of God's creation. Then give two ways that we can take care of God's creation.

Questions for Middle School and Above

- What makes it hard for some people to believe that creation really happened?
- Think of all the different ways your body functions. Then discuss whether your being alive is simply a random accident or specially designed by God.

Closing Prayer:

Dear Creator, you are mighty. Your handiwork is second to none, and we are in awe of your creation. Thank you for creating me. Forgive me for when I mess up what you created. Help me to take better care of the world you created for me. Amen.