

# 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

# FOUNDATIONS

## *Old Testament: Creation & The Fall*

### OVERVIEW

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When God created, He created something out of nothing, this is the Latin term *ex nihilo*. This is amazing! When our mind tries to wrap around this idea and how to understand the beginning, it can become difficult. Our minds are created within a finite, time- and space-dependent world, so we have to think within those boundaries. However, God created us *Imago Dei*, which means “in His image.” This has huge implications, because this means we were created separate from all other creation, and God has specific purposes for creating us.

### WITH A PARTNER

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How do you see God’s image in yourself or other people? What does it mean that we are *image-bearers* of God?

Read through the Creation account verses and explain the order of Creation.

Day 1	Gen. 1:3-5	
Day 2	Gen. 1:6-8	
Day 3	Gen. 1:9-10, 12	
Day 4	Gen. 1:17-18	
Day 5	Gen. 1:21	
Day 6	Gen. 1:25-27	
Day 7	Gen. 2:2-3	

# LARGE GROUP

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## 1. Purpose of Creation

- a. Glorify Himself
  - Psalm 19:1
- b. Reveal Himself
  - Romans 1:20
- c. Intended Design
  - The word “*good*”

## 2. Creation and Science

- a. *“...by affirming that everything has been made in accordance with a logical pattern, the doctrine of creation substantiates science’s assumption...[and] knowing that there is an intelligent pattern to the universe, the Christian is motivated to seek for it”* (Erik Erickson, *Introducing Christian Thought*, p. 136).
- b. Goes Back to Purpose

## 3. The Fall

- a. Original Sin: through the bloodline of Adam and Eve, we are born with a worldly desire to sin and turn from God
  - Romans 5:11-12
- b. What Happened?
  - Isaiah 59:2
  - Romans 7:9-11

## 4. God’s Plan

- a. The Messiah
- b. John 3:16
- c. Ephesians 2:1-10
- d. The full narrative of Scripture!

## SMALL GROUPS

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As a Small Group, make a list of the ways God has revealed Himself to you.

What is something that really stuck out to you about God today?

What does it mean that you are God's masterpiece (Eph. 2:10) and He began a plan of restoration through Jesus for you?

## TAKE IT HOME

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Read Ephesians 2:1-10 with a parent, use the SOAP model to better understand it. Take time to think about what God is trying to communicate to the reader, you.

**Read, Observe, Apply, Pray**