

**BIBLE ADVENTURE 5:**  
**CREATION - Let There Be Light**  
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**Genesis 1:14-19**

(verses 14-15) And God said, “Let there be lights in the vault of the sky to separate the day from the night, and let them serve as signs to mark sacred times, and days and years, and let them be lights in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth.” And it was so.

(verses 16-17) God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night. He also made the stars. God set them in the vault of the sky to give light on the earth,

(verses 18-19) to govern the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the fourth day.

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**Discovery Treasures:**

Isn't it just the coolest to know that God created the stars? Not only did He create the stars, but the scriptures also tell us that in addition to the stars, “God made two great lights—the greater light to govern the day and the lesser light to govern the night.” Before you read on, can you guess what those two (very special) great lights are?

That's right! The sun and the moon are the two great lights God is referring to in the scriptures. Don't you just love a sunny day at the beach, in the mountains, or at a baseball game? And what about the splendor of seeing the moon shining off of a freshly fallen blanket of snow? The sun and moon are two (very special) great lights because without them we wouldn't be able to see in the day or night.

As we all know the world is spinning while it's traveling around the sun, and the moon is orbiting the earth at the same time. When these two great lights cross between the earth we get to experience either a solar eclipse or a lunar eclipse. These happen two to four times a year. Then there are those rare times that a total eclipse occurs. Those are really cool! But they don't happen every week, month, or year. They happen every hundred years or so. So if you get to see one in your life-time you're seeing a rare event. And if you get to see two total eclipses in your life-time then you're a rare event yourself!

**ECLIPSE:** When Earth and the sun, and moon align certain ways, it causes an eclipse, which is a natural phenomenon. One type eclipse occurs when the moon passes between the earth and the sun. This is a solar eclipse. A lunar eclipse happens when the earth passes between the sun and the moon. A total eclipse happens when the entire sun is obscured.

We had a historical total solar eclipse happen August 21, 2017. The media referred to this as the “Great American Eclipse” because it cast a band clear across the United States from the Pacific coast to the Atlantic coast. To discover more information on that particular eclipse do a search on YouTube and you'll find tons of videos from people all across the nation who were in the shadow band and able to shoot a video. You'll be amazed to see complete darkness happening during daylight hours.

I mentioned the word orbit earlier. Have you ever heard the astronauts talk about going into orbit? Or have you ever heard that the earth orbits the sun? It's hard to imagine that we live on a spinning planet that is circling a very bright star, the sun, just the right distance away so as not to burn up, or freeze. And to try and grasp that the moon is circling us while we're circling the sun...well, I don't know about you, but that makes my head spin! God is awesome, and this is only a glimpse at his magnificent creation!

**ORBIT:** The curved path of a spaceship, planet, sun, or moon circling another celestial creation.

Have you ever wondered just how big God's creation is aside from Earth? I recently watched a really awesome documentary titled, “Created Cosmos.” It shows you how big our universe and beyond truly are. It talks about the alignment of the stars to create things such as Orion. This documentary opened up my eyes to a new way in viewing just how magnificent God is!

There's no doubt; God's creation is an amazing phenomenon.

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### **CREATION ADVENTURE ACTIVITIES:**

**Memorize Genesis 1:14-19** (take simple steps: memorize verses 14-15 first. After you have those memorized, go for verses 16-17. Now say 14-17 aloud from memory. Once you can do that, memorize verses 18-19, and just like that...you've memorized verses 14-19! Way to go!

**NEVER LOOK AT THE SUN DIRECTLY AT ANYTIME - EVEN DURING AN ECLIPSE!** But good news...you can watch an eclipse without looking at the sun directly. The next time there is an eclipse, and you don't have access to a pair of special eclipse viewing glasses, you can

make your own eclipse viewing box. Here's how to make one in 5 easy steps with adult supervision:

*1) Cut a small hole close to an inch in diameter in one end of a shoe box, near an edge.*

*2) Get some tinfoil and tape a piece over the hole.*

*3) Punch a tiny hole in the center of the foil using a pin or a needle - let mom or dad do this*

*4) Cover the opposite inside end of the box (from the foil-covered hole end) with a piece of white paper. Be sure to attach the white paper so that the light from the tinfoil hole shows on the white paper because this is where the sun will "appear." We'll call the white piece of paper your viewing area.*

*5) Cut a hole (about 1 inch) on one side of the box near the end with the white piece of paper (viewing area). This hole will be what you look through. The hole should be positioned so you can look through it at an angle and see the viewing area (white paper).*

***When the eclipse is ready to happen be sure and hold the box so that it lines up with its own shadow. Stand in a place so that when you look through the viewing hole, you can see a tiny bead of light on the viewing area. That tiny bright spot will be the sun. As the moon passes in front of the sun you'll begin to see the shadow of the event on your viewing screen. The moon (shadow) will begin to cover the sun (bright spot).***

*If you need a visual, you can always go to YouTube and search for eclipse viewing boxes.*

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### **TIME TO TALK TO GOD:**

Say the following prayer out loud to God. He will listen...I guarantee!

**PRAYER:** Dear God, thank You for creating the stars, the sun, and the moon. I can't wait to experience your next eclipse. When it happens, I ask that you please help me better understand just how special your magnificent creation is. I also know that I am your special creation too. Before the next eclipse gets here, God, I ask that you show me everyday, just how special I am to you as I show you how special You are to me. Thank you for loving me enough to create me. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.