

LESSON 2
“ORDERLINESS”
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BIBLE CONNECTION

Genesis 1:1 – 2:3 (pages 1-2)

CHARACTER WORD

Orderliness - Neatness, tidiness,
proper behavior, lawfulness

TEACHING OBJECTIVE

I can know that God created the world to be an orderly place.

MEMORY LINK

Colossians 1:16b

“All things were created through Him and for Him.”

(KBC Study Bible, page 1300)

SUPPLIES NEEDED THIS WEEK

GET CONNECTED

Container, sorting items, Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

MEMORY LINK ACTIVITY

Option 1: Beach balls, timer

Option 2: Index cards

BIBLE CONNECTION

LEGO kit or boxed puzzle, Resource item

SURF TEAM TIME

Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

MAKE-IT-STICK REVIEW GAME

Option 1: Beanbags, painter's tape

Option 2: Feather (or tissue), paper plate

God Creates Everything

WHAT'S THE POINT?

All creation points to the greatness of God. He perfectly ordered the creation of the world and sustains it with order and power. Natural elements like gravity, seasons, lifespans, and the earth's perfect rotation reflect the creativity, orderliness, and greatness of God. It's humbling to consider that the God who created the universe with such great care also considers us and invites us into relationship with Him.

Psalm 8 is a beautiful reminder of God's nature. “When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained, What is man that You are mindful of him, And the son of man that You visit him?” (Psalm 8:3-4)

God has placed everything in perfect order. Even in salvation God ordained a perfect solution to our sin problem. He had a plan to send Jesus as the Savior from the beginning of time. Jesus arrived on earth at the exact moment God intended. And Jesus will return at the perfect time according to the Father's plans.

It's comforting to know that God's plan prevails both in creation and in your life. In the confusion and chaos of our fallen world, God still keeps everything in perfect order and holds you in the palm of His hand.

GET CONNECTED

Building relationships in surf teams; introducing today's lesson.



Container, sorting items, Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards,

Use the following conversational prompts to get to know the students in your surf team and to introduce today's lesson.

Activity Option: Students sort different items like buttons or coins from a container, putting the items in order. Time them with a stopwatch or cell phone.

- *What is something you saw today that was all messed up? What could you have done to put it back together the right way or make it more organized?*
- *Today our character word is orderliness. What does that mean to you?*
- *Do you like things when they are orderly? What is a good thing about something being orderly?*



Guide students to locate and mark today's Bible Connection and Memory Link in their Bibles, if they brought one, so they can find the pages quickly as directed in the session.

WORSHIP TIME

Pointing students' hearts toward God



Take time to explain that worship time isn't just a music time. Help students understand that God is the audience and they are singing for Him.

Consider: “God is Creator”, by Seeds Family Worship and “Wonderful Maker”, by Chris Tomlin

MEMORY LINK

2 Minutes – Teaching the Bible verse to students

8 Minutes – Activity to help them memorize the verse



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Bible

Focus on the Bible

Hold your Bible for everyone to see. Share that the Bible is the treasure to discover in Beach Club. Remind new students that every person in club receives a KBC Study Bible on Great Treasure Day, which will be happening in a few weeks. *Our goal in Beach Club is to learn, love, and live God’s Word.*

Last week, we talked about that the Bible is divided into two parts. The Old Testament is the first half of the Bible and tells about things that happened before Jesus. The New Testament is the second half and tells about the things that happened after Jesus came, His life, death, and resurrection and how He wants to have a personal relationship with each of us.

We find today’s Memory Link in the New Testament, but it talks about something that happened in the Old Testament. Let’s find out what it is!

Focus on Today’s Memory Link

Many places in the Bible talk about how amazing God’s creation is. Let’s find Colossians 1:16b in our Bibles. (KBC Study Bible, page 1300 if they have one.) While the whole verse is important, today’s focus is on the last part (so labeled “b” in the Bible reference). This verse tells us that Jesus was present when God created the world and that all of creation was made for Jesus. Creation was so important that even Jesus has a special place in it.

Option 1 - BEACH BALL RECITING

Beach Ball for each surf team; Optional: stopwatch or cell phone

Organize each surf team into a circle. Students will pass the beach ball to one another while saying each word in the Bible verse. Keep the ball moving around the circle until the verse has been completed. Be sure to remember the Bible reference. Play a few times until they have memorized the verse. For an extra challenge, time them to see how fast they can say the verse while passing the beach ball.

Option 2 - HUMAN UNSCRAMBLE

Index cards for each Surf Team

Prepare: Write one word of the verse and the Bible reference on separate index cards.

Pass out a card to each student. Upon the call to start, instruct each Surf Team Leader to assist their team in saying the verse out loud while placing students in the order of the verse with the Bible reference at the end. Continue playing as time allows. Ask the entire team to say the verse out loud once more together.

Colossians 1:16b

“All things were created through Him and for Him.”

(KBC Study Bible, page 1300)

Teaching Tip

Visuals help students see and learn Memory Links. Visuals can be as high-tech or low tech as you prefer. Just remember, the larger your group size, the larger the words will need to be for everyone to see. Memory Link Posters are also available at kidsbeachclub.org/store.

Low tech options: Hand write the verse on a poster board. Write it on a white board and erase a word or two each time students recite the verse.

High tech options: Make a slide for the Memory Link in your video presentation. If you have access to a plotter, you can create and print your own large Memory Link posters.

No matter how you visually show the Memory Link in large group, always remember to provide each Surf Team Leader a printed copy of page 7 of the Memory Link poster for them to use in small group teaching situations.

BIBLE CONNECTION



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Teaching today's character word through gospel-centered Bible story

LEGO kit or boxed puzzle, Resource item

Set the Stage

Show the LEGO kit or puzzle box, unassembled, and comment on the number of pieces. *Can anyone put the kit together by shaking the box? That would be hard, wouldn't it? Someone had to think about designing the pieces so they would fit together and form the design. Then the person who gets this box gets to put it all together according to the designer's plan. Our world is the same way — God the Creator had a plan in putting together the world in such a way that it fits together just right.*

Tell the Story

Today we are starting at the very beginning of the Bible with the story of Creation. It is a story about how God created the world. Today's character word is orderliness. God created the world to be neatly organized, fitting together just right.

The Bible tells us that in the very beginning there was nothing like the earth we know today. It was without form and dark, but that was about to change. The Lord God was about to make something out of nothing!

People have accomplished many great things like landing a man on the moon, but people can only create something from a set of starting materials (like the Legos or puzzle). Only God can make something out of nothing. He created the earth and gave it an amazing order.

Out of the nothingness that existed, God brought order. He spent six days creating the world. He could have done it all at once, but He planned to do it in perfect order so that everything fit together. (Invite the volunteers to come to the front and hold up their card as you read what God created each day. Read out loud Genesis 1:3–13 (KBC Study Bible, page 1). God spoke into existence: the light out of the darkness, separated the sky from the waters, and the land with all kinds of vegetation, plants and trees on the first three days. The earth was nothing, but in three days, God created an earth that was ready for life—the skies, land and seas. After each day, God brought order by stating a time period for His creative activity—morning and evening, naming each a day. At the end of each day, He looked over His work and saw that "it was good."

Explain what God created on days 4, 5, and 6. He created different living things to live in the areas of the earth. Read Genesis 1:27 (KBC Study Bible, page 2).

God created His best creation last—people. God created people to be special and different from all the other animals. He created us after His own image. We are like Him so that we can communicate with Him. In SIX days, God created a perfect and orderly world perfect for us as human beings to live. At the end of that day, God saw that "it was VERY good!". And then on the seventh day, after His work was done, our Bible tells us that God rested. God's creation was orderly and with purpose. He planned it to happen in this way. The Bible tells us that God created the world for you and for me! Isn't that really cool to know — that all those years ago, God made this world for us?! Let's say today's verse together once more. Colossians 1:16b (KBC Study Bible, page 1300).

As You Prepare

Cut apart the cards found in the Resource item for Lesson 2. Enlist 7 student volunteers at the beginning of club to assist you with telling the story. Each student will hold up a card as you indicate for each day of creation.

Teaching Tip

Bible Connection is an important time in the schedule. Pray and spend time in God's Word in preparation. Plan on being creative and using props. Begin with a creative, attention-getting idea and then transition to the Bible content. Utilize students in the story. Pace yourself and keep focused. Ask Surf Team Leaders to reward students who were attentive listeners when they return to surf team.

Application

God gave us all a purpose for our lives. He filled the earth with people to work with their hands in taking care of the earth and each other. So today we work out God’s plan in our lives when we work to help one another and spread the great news of Jesus into all creation.

Gospel Connection

God created the world to be orderly. He created a special plan for people, too. God wants everyone to have a special relationship with Him. However, we can’t because of the things we do wrong, which is called sin. God’s plan was to send Jesus into the world to make a way for people to have a relationship with God. When you invite Jesus to become your Forever Friend, then God makes you one of His children. The Bible says that you must ADMIT that you are a sinner and ASK Jesus to forgive your sins. You can BELIEVE that Jesus died on the cross for our sins. Finally, CHOOSE TO FOLLOW Jesus by asking Him to be your Forever Friend.

Close in prayer.

Invite students wanting to know more about praying to ask Jesus to be their Forever Friend to move to the designated counseling area to talk with a leader one on one. Be sure to have all the decision supplies available.

Gospel Tip

The gospel is the central focus in Beach Club. Every week, clearly present the gospel in Bible Connection and intentionally connect every element of Beach Club to the gospel. Put good habits in place for weaving the gospel into each session and preparing well for decision counseling and follow up. Communicate to your team the plans for decision counseling. Who will your counselors be? Where will they go to talk with students? What tools or supplies will you use? Consider adding an “Outreach Leader” position to help with follow-up both in Beach Club and to communicate decisions to the partnering church and hold them accountable to follow up. Pray regularly that the students in your Beach Club will understand God’s plan of salvation and choose to follow Jesus.

SURF TEAM TIME

Connecting with students in small groups; applying today's Bible Connection and Character Word



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Memory Link cards, Hang 10 pages, index cards, pens, highlighters

Today's Bible Lesson

- Before you begin, ask if there are any students who would like to talk with the Bible Connection Leader about praying to ask Jesus to become their Forever Friend. If so, let them go to the designated area.
- *What questions do you have about today's story?*
- *Can God bring order to our lives when we have problems? How?*
- *What in your life right now needs to be put back in order?*

Use the Bible

Give each student a Memory Link card. Review today's Memory Link and Character Word. Guide them to use cards to mark today's story in their KBC Study Bibles. Lead them to highlight today's Memory Link.

Hang 10 Pages

Give each student a Hang 10 Page. Challenge them to hang out with God 10 minutes each day by praying and reading the Bible, using the Hang 10 page as a guide. Encourage them to bring back their Hang 10 pages next week.

Let's take a look at our Hang 10 page for this week. Will someone read the Weekly Challenge out loud for us? Thank you! So, how many of you will show your parents an "orderly" room this week? Be ready next week to share what things you found had order or that you put in order, especially your room!

Pray

Encourage students to write down prayer requests on index cards. Lead them in prayer. Take the requests home and pray for the requests throughout the week.

Heavenly Father, thank You that You created everything to have order. Help me to trust You when my life is in confusing and full of problems. Bring order into my life. In Jesus' name, amen.

Teaching Tip

Surf Team Time can pass very quickly. Make certain that you answer their questions. Then spend time in prayer. Many students may never have had anyone pray specifically for them. Your prayer is a model for them!

MAKE IT STICK - REVIEW GAME

Playing a game to review today's Bible Connection and Character Word



Option 1 - BEANBAG BATTLE

One bean bag per surf team, painter's tape

Prepare: Make a 2-foot square on the floor with painter's tape. Make an X in the square, connecting opposite corners dividing the square into four equal triangles. Give each section a number value. Place a "starting line" a few feet away.

Each student stands behind the line and throws the beanbag into the square. If the student correctly answers the question, the team's score is the number corresponding to the value assigned the space where the beanbag lands. Challenge teams by moving the start line further away from the square. Award the highest-scoring surf team.

Option 2 - FEATHER RELAY

Feather (or tissue), paper plate per surf team

Prepare: Give one feather (or tissue) and one paper plate to each surf team.

Guide surf teams to line up single file for a relay race. Leaders will stand opposite the lines to ask the review questions. Give the first person in each line a paper plate with a feather (or tissue) on the plate. On "Go!" the students will walk to the Surf Team Leader, answer a question, return to their team and pass the plate to the next person. If they cannot correctly answer the question, they can walk back to their team to pass it to the next person to attempt the same question. If the feather (or tissue) falls off the plate, they must stop, place it back on the plate, then continue. Continue game until all questions are correctly answered or as time allows.

REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. *In what book of the Bible is today's Bible Connection story located? (Genesis)*
2. *What is today's character word? (orderliness)*
3. *What does orderliness mean? (neatness, tidiness, proper behavior, lawfulness)*
4. *How did God create things? (He spoke them into being)*
5. *Why are people the most special to God? (He made people in His image)*
6. *How long did it take God to create everything? (six days)*
7. *What did God do on the seventh day? (He rested)*
8. *Where is today's Memory Link found? (Colossians 1:16b)*
9. *Fill in the blanks: "All things were _____ through Him and _____ Him."
(created, for)*
10. *Where is the best place to hang out and find treasure in your school?
(Beach Club)*

Teaching Tip

This is a highly energetic time of Beach Club! Be enthusiastic and make the games exciting. Include Surf Team Leaders to participate and cheer for their team. Students will leave club excited and wanting to return next week!



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Colossians 1:16b

KBC Study Bible, page 1300