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 Break the ice

Write down what God is saying to you in today's message:

TOPIC: Creation – God makes



Let's hear your story

1. How would you explain to a friend, family member or work colleague that God created everything out of nothing?
2. What does Genesis 1:1 and John 1:1 – 3; tell us about the Trinity? (**God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit are all involved in creation.**)
3. How did creation come into existence? (**It was the work of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.**)
4. Can you identify God's pattern in creation according to Genesis 1? (**1. An announcement; 2. A command; 3. A separation and 4. A report.**)



Let's go deeper

5. What does Psalm 19:1 tell us about creation? (**The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.**)
6. What does Romans 1:20 tell us about creation? (**For His invisible attributes, namely His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world.**)
7. What does Hebrews 11:3 tell us about creation? (**By faith we understand that the universe was created by the Word of God.**)
8. What does Luke 8:24 – 25 tell us about Jesus? (**The wind and raging waves obey His voice; creation obeys the voice of Jesus, the Creator.**)



Let's apply this

9. God's Word is powerful and creative:

**Hebrews 11:3;** tells us that by faith we understand that the universe was created, by the word of God... So just think about it for a moment, everything came from nothing, and God didn't have to do anything. He just said it and it came into being. That tells you the power of God's Word.

- Allow God's Word to bring life to dead and empty areas in your heart this week.
- Allow God's Word to create new desires, passions and vision to you this week.

SUMMARY:

- **Creation: God makes**

**How is the Trinity involved in creation?** (See Genesis 1:1 – 2 and John 1:1 – 3) God; the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are all actively involved in creation.

**How did creation come into existence?**

It was the work of God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

**What does the bible say about creation?**

**Genesis 1:1;** In the beginning, God **created** the heavens and the earth...

The Hebrew word for created is "**bara**" and means God created from nothing. The second Hebrew word for created is "**asah**" and means that God takes that which already exists and prepares it for human life. God takes dust and created Adam, He took Adam's rib and formed and fashioned Eve.

**Genesis 1:2;** The earth was without form, that in the Hebrew is **tohu** and void, **bohu** and the Amplified explains it as wasteness and emptiness. These two words are used together to express the same idea. The meaning is that the earth had no clearly discernible features at this point in creation. This confirms that the earth did not coexist eternally with God, but was created by Him – out of nothing.

**What can we learn from Genesis 1:1 – 2?**

That everyone and everything finds its beginning with God.

This also means that before the beginning, God pre-existed.

God is separate as Creator from His creation, and that creation has a beginning.

**There's a creation pattern in Genesis 1:**

There's an **announcement**; And God said; this is on each of the six days of creation.

There's a **commandment**; let there be...

There's **separation**; God separates day and night, water, land, animals and plants.

There's a difference between human life, animal life, plant life, between man and woman, night and day; heaven and earth. God makes distinctions.

There's a **report**; and it was so, meaning everything God said came into existence as God commanded and there was nothing and no one working against God.

**What does creation reveal about God?** (See Psalm 19:1 and Romans 1:20)

God is eternal and He exists before His creation.

God is living and life comes only from Him.

God is independent while the rest of creation is dependent upon Him.

God is powerful and made everything from nothing by Himself.

God is beautiful and creation reflects His beauty.

God is orderly and His creation reflects His order and remains orderly until sin.

God is good and everything He makes is good.

God is good and everything He makes, He declares good.