

From

*Living the Word*

Exploring God's Story Together  
Narrative Lectionary, Year 4



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# Lesson #4-1

## *God's Good Creation*

Genesis 1:1-2:4a



### **Key Verse:**

God saw everything that [God] had made, and indeed, it was very good.  
Genesis 1:31

### **The Point:**

God's blessings begin with the careful work of creating an ordered world.

*Please enjoy this Opening Prayer and Litany for the first day of the new Narrative Lectionary year. These are from our Living the Word: Cross+Generational Worship faith formation resource. A full sample lesson and more information on this and all of our Narrative Lectionary products can be found on our website: [www.SpiritAndTruthPublishing.com/products/living-the-word/](http://www.SpiritAndTruthPublishing.com/products/living-the-word/)*

## *Opening Prayer*

**Creator of Life: We come to worship to honor you and to praise your name. Be in our worship today, and inspire us to see your glorious hand in all of creation. Bless our time together and equip us to care for the world you so lovingly crafted. In your name we pray. Amen.**



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## *Litany*

**We begin our worship today by honoring the blessings of creation. I will read a petition that declares a wonder of creation, then will leave time for petitions naming some specific blessings in that category. I will end by saying, “And God...” You will respond: “Saw that it was good!”**

Leader: On the first day, God created heaven and earth, light and dark, night and day. And God...

All: saw that it was good!

Leader: On the second day, God created water and sky. And God...

All: saw that it was good!

Leader: On the third day, God created earth and sea, plants and trees. And God...

All: saw that it was good!

Leader: On the fourth day, God created sun, stars, and moon. And God...

All: saw that it was good!

Leader: On the fifth day, God created swimming creatures and flying creatures. And God...

All: saw that it was good!

Leader: On the sixth day, God created animals of the land, including humans, and gave humans all of creation to care for. And God...

All: saw that it was good!

Leader: And, on the seventh day, God rested, and expects us all to rest! And God...

All: saw that it was good!