

In this unit, we will:

- ❑ Place the concepts of God, Creation and the Fall on a timeline of the Bible's 'Big Story'.
- ❑ Make clear links between Genesis 1 and what Christians believe about God and creation.
- ❑ Describe what Christians do because they believe God is the Creator (follow God, wonder at how amazing the creation is; care for the earth)
- ❑ Ask questions about what might be important in the creation story for Christians and non-Christians today.



What do Christians learn from the creation story?



God the Creator cares for the creation, including human beings.

God wants a friendship between Him and His people.

The Bible tells a story (in Genesis 3) about how humans spoiled this friendship (the fall).

The Bible shows that God wants to help people to be close to Him. He offers forgiveness, even when his people keep 'falling short' (sinning).

Christians want to be close to God too and believe that humans cannot get close to God without His help. They believe that they do their best and be their best, when they listen to God.

Christians show that they want to be close to God through obedience, worship and saying sorry.

Can we all take the values that Christians live by, to help us to be proactive in looking after the earth? What is our response to what we have learnt?

Glossary

Christian	Belief that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and who follow his teachings.
Creation	Christians believe that God made the world and everything in it.
Creator	The maker; God.
Disobedience	Not following rules or commandments.
Forgiveness	Choosing to pardon someone who has done wrong.

Repentance	Being truly sorry and wanting to change.
Stewardship	Looking after something that belongs to someone else.
Ten Commandments	God's rules to help people live good lives.
Temptation	Being attracted to do something wrong.
The Fall	When Adam and Eve disobeyed God and broke their relationship with Him.