

# CREATION

## Day 5 – FISH AND BIRDS – WEEK 1

**MEMORY VERSE** – “I am the one who made the earth and created people to live on it. With my hands I stretched out the heavens. All the stars are at my command.” Isaiah 45:12

**FOCUS VERSE** – “Then God said, ‘Let the waters swarm with fish and other life. Let the skies be filled with birds of every kind.’ So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that scurries and swarms in the water, and every sort of bird—each producing offspring of the same kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply. Let the fish fill the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth.’ And evening passed and morning came, marking the fifth day.” Genesis 1:20-23

**STORY** – Everyone show me 5 fingers! *Who can tell me what God created on day 5?* Let’s review our rhyme and read our focus verse. God created the fish and birds on Day 5!

I’m going to tell you about a story in the Bible, every time I say, “BIG,” move your arms in a BIG motion. There’s a story about a man named Jonah. Jonah was swallowed by a BIG fish. Jonah had a BIG special message from God to tell the Ninevites, but Jonah didn’t listen to God. Instead he ran away thinking he could hide from God! He got onto a BIG ship and sailed away from his home. Since God created the seas, God told the seas to make a BIG storm. All the sailors on the BIG ship were scared and they asked Jonah what they should do. Jonah knew that God sent the BIG storm so Jonah told them to throw him into the BIG ocean. Since God created the fish, He sent a BIG fish to come and swallow Jonah. The BIG fish didn’t eat Jonah, God told the BIG fish to just keep him in his belly for three days and three nights! Inside the BIG fish Jonah prayed to God asking for forgiveness! After three days the BIG fish spit Jonah out in Nineveh, where he was supposed to go the first time. Jonah obeyed God and gave his BIG message to the Ninevites to stop sinning and they were all saved!

Jonah learned a BIG lesson . . . to obey God the first time! God is kind and gave Jonah another chance to do what God was asking him to do and forgave him for running away. That’s called **grace**!

**PRAYER** – Thank you, God, for making the fish and birds. Thank you for your grace and love!

**SNACK** – Goldfish

**CRAFT** – Jonah and the whale spin wheel. The half paper plate represents the boat, spin it up and draw Jonah in the water with the whale.

Coloring book – Day 5 page

Birds for poster board

**GAME** – Pin the whale in the ocean.

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## Day 5 – FISH AND BIRDS – WEEK 2

**MEMORY VERSE** – “I am the one who made the earth and created people to live on it. With my hands I stretched out the heavens. All the stars are at my command.” Isaiah 45:12

**FOCUS VERSE** – “Then God said, ‘Let the waters swarm with fish and other life. Let the skies be filled with birds of every kind.’ So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that scurries and swarms in the water, and every sort of bird—each producing offspring of the same kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God blessed them, saying, ‘Be fruitful and multiply. Let the fish fill the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth.’ And evening passed and morning came, marking the fifth day.” Genesis 1:20-23

**STORY** – We are talking about Day 5 again today! *Who remembers what we talked about last week?* God made the BIG fish and how God gave Jonah grace when he didn’t do what God said!

This week we are going to talk about a special kind of bird God created that is mentioned in the Bible. That bird is a dove, everytime I say DOVE flap your arms like a bird! The first time we hear about a DOVE is in the story of Noah’s ark! Noah built a big boat and put many animals on it to save them from the flood. After the flood Noah was looking for land so he sent a DOVE to fly around the waters looking for land and when it found land the DOVE came back with leaves in it’s mouth so Noah knew there was land ahead and the flood was over! Next there is a DOVE mentioned when Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist. After He came up from the water, a DOVE, which represented the Holy Spirit, came and rested on His shoulder!

So in Noah’s story the DOVE carried PEACE with it because it showed that there was land and the flood was over. God was faithful and kept His promise to Noah. The DOVE that landed on Jesus was the Holy Spirit which also brings PEACE to us!

**PRAYER** – Lord, thank you for the PEACE that you give us and for stories that have a DOVE in them to remind us of Your peace!

**SNACK** – Cheerios and cheese.

**CRAFT** – Paper plate dove. Trace hands on white paper for wings. Add feathers and tissue paper to their doves.

Coloring book – Day 5 page

**GAME** – Duck, Duck , Dove. (Duck, duck, goose) If a friend is chosen they both have to act like DOVES and run around the circle. Friendly reminder that Doves represent PEACE.