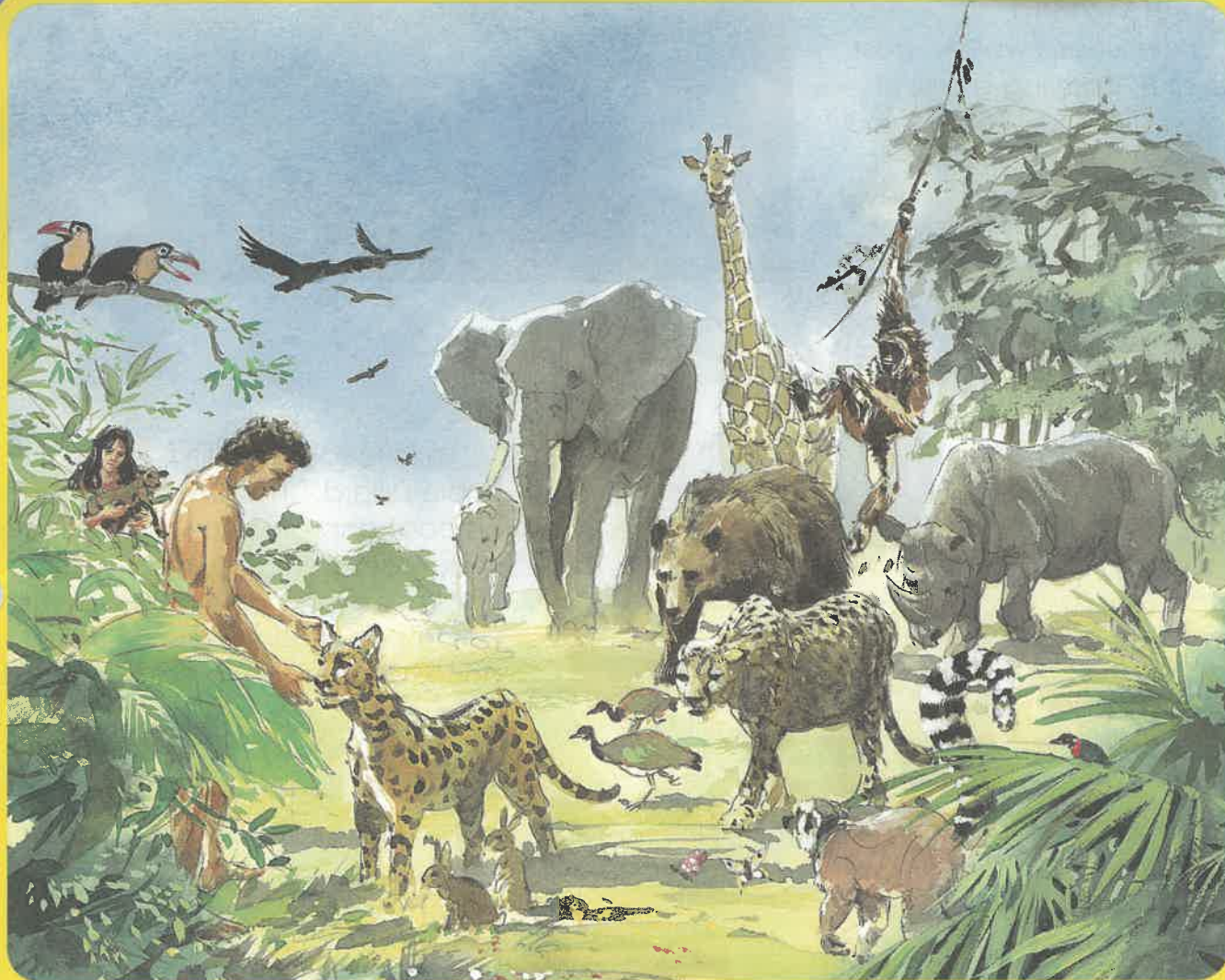


Storytime

Lesson 6

People Care for God's World

Bible story based on Genesis 1:26-31; 2:7-8, 15, 18-23



God made a wonderful world. He made the land, sky, and water. God created the plants. He made all kinds of animals. Then God made a man. God named the man Adam. God put Adam in the Garden of Eden to take care of the garden.

God told Adam to name the

animals. So Adam did.

Adam needed a helper so God made a woman and brought her to Adam. Adam named the woman Eve. Adam and Eve took care of the plants by helping them grow. They cared for the animals by being kind to them. God gave people the job of caring for His world.

Farm Chores

Natalie was visiting Uncle Dillard's farm with her friend, Emily. Natalie showed Emily around the farm:

Uncle Dillard walked past the girls, carrying a pail of water. "I'm glad I found you," he said. "I need some help."

"Wow!" said Emily. "I never worked on a farm before."



"Let's feed Chico first," said Uncle Dillard. "Then you can brush his coat and get all the dirt out of it. He loves being brushed."

It took a long time to brush out Chico's coat. When the girls were done, Chico pranced around and neighed.

"That's his way of saying thank you," said Natalie.

"Now what can we do?" asked Emily.

"We could feed Uncle Dillard's dog, Pepper," said Natalie. So the girls put a scoop of dog food in Pepper's bowl. Pepper ate all his food. Then he wagged his tail. "Look, he is thanking us," said Natalie.



Then the girls saw the rabbit cage. The rabbits were hungry, and their cage needed to be cleaned. "I know how to take care of the rabbits," said Natalie.

The girls put fresh paper in the rabbits' cage. Then they fed the rabbits some hay and green vegetables. Their noses twitched as they nibbled, almost as if they were smiling.



Clang, clang. "What is that loud noise?" asked Emily. "It sounds like a big bell."

"That is how we know it is dinner time," said Natalie.

"We helped Uncle Dillard take care of the animals," said Emily. "Now Uncle Dillard is taking care of us! Let's go eat. I'm hungry!"



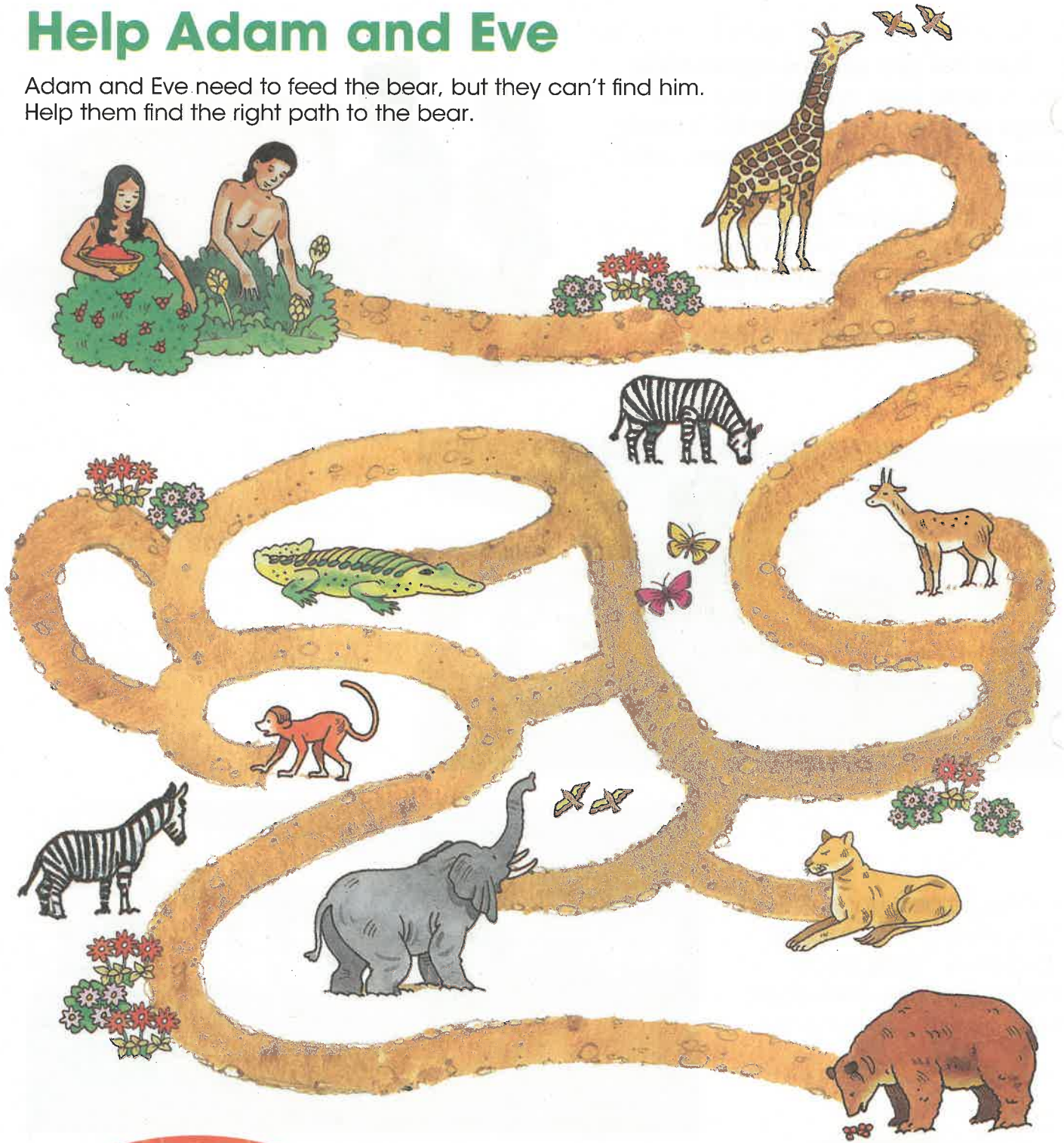
Talk About It

Bible Truth: God wants people to care for His world.

Natalie and Emily helped Uncle Dillard care for the farm animals. What are some other ways our family can care for God's creation? Let's thank Him for the wonderful world He created for us to live in.

Help Adam and Eve

Adam and Eve need to feed the bear, but they can't find him. Help them find the right path to the bear.



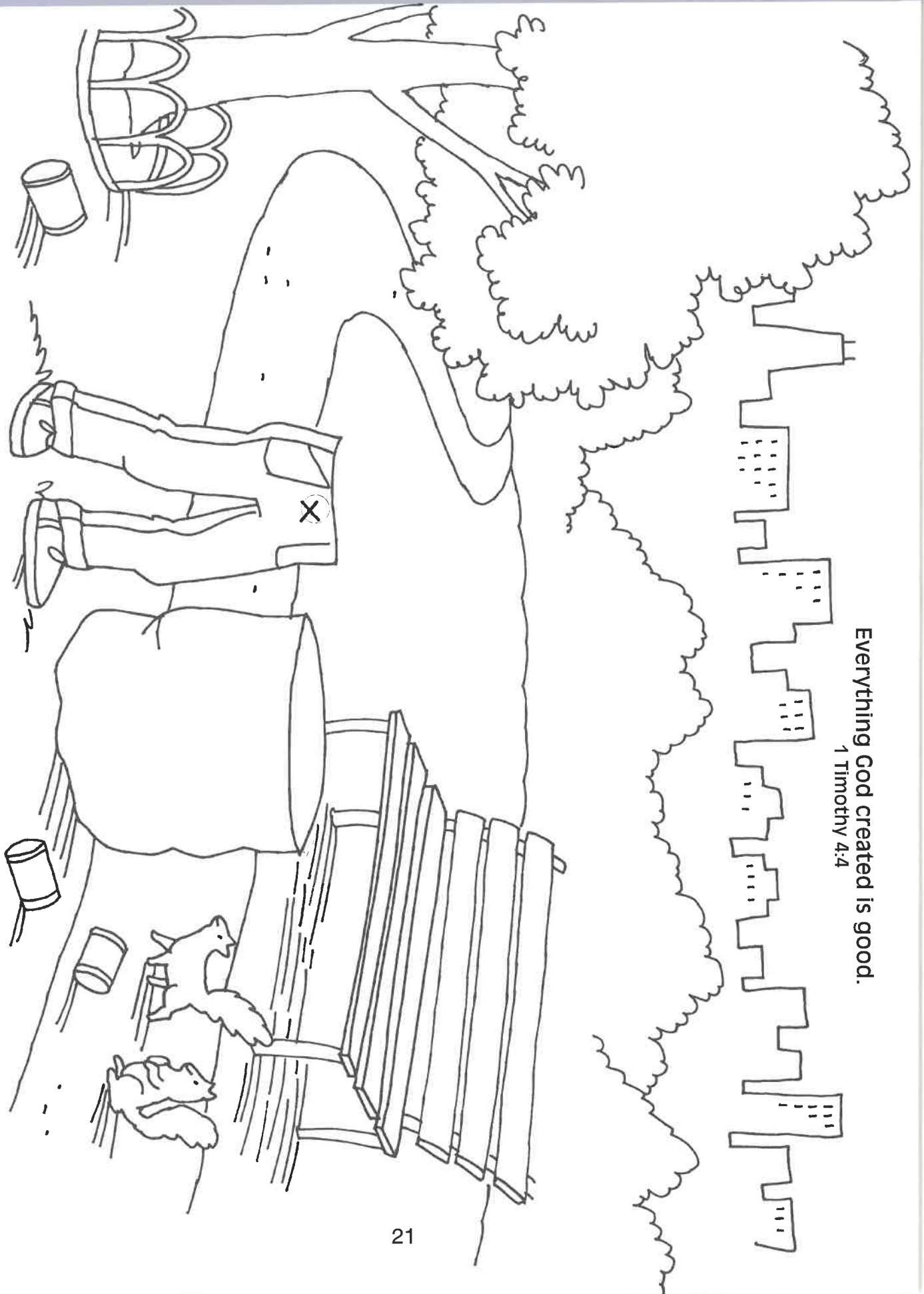
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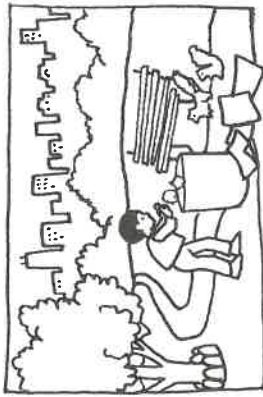
"Everything God created is good." 1 Timothy 4:4

- God gave Adam and Eve an important job in the Bible story. What was that job?
- Do you think it was a hard job to name all the animals? What names would you choose?
- What are some things you can do to care for God's world?

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God wants me to help take care of His world.



FOR PARENTS

Today your child learned that God gives people the work of caring for the wonderful world He made for us (Gen. 1:26-31; 2:7-8, 15, 18-23).

To put this lesson into practice, plan ways your family can help care for the environment this week. You might want to take a walk around your neighborhood and collect cans to recycle. You could begin to prepare a garden spot. Or you might put out food for birds. Also talk about why we should not litter, explaining that God wants us to care for His world.

Practice the Bible memory verse.