

A serene sunset scene over a large body of water. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a bright orange and yellow glow that reflects on the water's surface. The sky transitions from a deep blue at the top to a lighter orange near the horizon. In the distance, a small boat is visible on the water. The foreground is dominated by a white text box with rounded corners and a yellow border.

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L.O. Understand the qualities God gives us and wants us to develop.

Let's begin by lighting a candle and reading a class prayer.

People are made to be like, to be able to know and love God and each other. We can express the greatness of God by the love we show each other. Christians are reminded of the love of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

A long time ago, one of the priests in the Temple in Jerusalem wrote about the creation of the world and its people. We can read about this story in the Book of Genesis.



MADE TO BE LIKE GOD

(based on Genesis 1:26-31)

Then God said: “Let us make people to be like ourselves. Men and women who can know and love me and know and love one another; and I will give them charge of the fish of the seas, the birds of the sky, and all the animals wild and tame and all the reptiles that crawl upon the earth.”

So God created men and women who could love and care for the world and everything in it and could love and care for one another; men and women who could know God and love and serve God.

God blessed them and said to them:

“Fill the world with people; look after the world; look after one another; take care of the fish and the birds, the animals and the reptiles, the trees and the flowers and the plants.”

And so it was.

God saw all creation and indeed it was very good.



The Sabbath day

For the Jewish people the seventh day (Saturday) is holy because it is the day of God's rest and is God's gift to them. For Christians, the first day of the week (Sunday) became the holy day because it was on that day that God his Father gave Jesus new life.

For Jews and Christians marriage is holy because man and woman were created by God to love one another.



THE SEVENTH DAY

(based on Genesis 2:1-3)

After the work of creation, God rested on the seventh day. God blessed the seventh day and made it holy. And that is how the universe was created.

Genesis

- *What qualities did God give people in the story of Creation?*
- *How do you think God would like them to be developed?*
- *We are made like God. How can we love like God loves?*

Write sentences describing how you can develop 3 of these qualities.

Kind:

Generous:

Forgiving:

Gentle:

Loving:

Peaceful:

Thoughtful:

Generous:

Forgiving:

Thankful:

Trustworthy:

Honest:

Sympathetic:

Generous:

Forgiving:

Appreciative:

Loyal:

Compassionate:

Optimistic:

For example: I can develop the quality of being more thoughtful by taking the time to find opportunities to help others.

Can you think of 2 of your own?