

Good and Evil

Big Question:

Where do all the bad things in our world come from?

MEMORY VERSE

Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. 1 John 4:8 NIV

INTRO

Question: What do we hear more of, good news or bad news?

My Story: Share a personal experience (age-appropriate) of receiving bad news and link your story to our "Big Question".

BIBLE STORY | GOD CREATES A GOOD WORLD

In your own words, tell the story found in Genesis 1:1- Genesis 2:2.

Genesis 1:31 | How does God describe the world that he has just made?

EXPLORING THE BIBLE

Genesis 2:15-17 | Why do you think God planted a tree called "the tree of the knowledge of good and evil"?

1 John 4:8 | Why would a loving God give us freedom and choices?

Illustration: A robot can't love because it doesn't have true freedom.

Genesis 3:1-6 | Why did Adam and Eve eat the fruit God told them not to?

Revelation 12:7-9, Ezekiel 28:12-17 | Where did the snake come from?

FUN FACTS

Many people have asked the question: Did God create Satan? The answer is actually no. The name "Satan" means enemy and God didn't create an enemy, he created a perfect angel in heaven (remember everything God makes is good). It was this angel who used his freedom to become God's enemy. So who made Satan? Himself.

LIVING IT

Discuss: What is one new thing you learnt today?

Decide: In the battle between God and Satan, and between good and evil, do you want to be on God's side?

Do: In your own time, read Matthew 4:1-11 to learn about a time when Jesus came face-to-face with Satan.



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