

Chapter 1 ***God's World***

You crowned us with glory and honor. *Psalm 8:6*

To the Parents:

In chapter 1, your child learned the following:

- All of God's creation is good.
- In creation we come to know the Creator.
- We can use our gifts to show God's goodness.

God created the world and everything in it out of love. God wants all creatures to share in his life, wisdom, and goodness. As human beings, we are God's most precious creation. Each of us is made in God's image and likeness. It is the divine image deep within every one of us that calls us to value and respect all human life. Besides being created in God's image, each of us is uniquely blessed by God with specific gifts that contribute to the wonder and glory of God's creation.

Each of us contributes to the goodness of God's creation by first becoming aware of our own goodness. We reveal God's goodness to others as we encounter each other in loving service.

With Your Child:

1. Make a creation scrapbook. Fold and cut two sheets of paper to make a little book. On each page, put pictures or words about God's world and the people in it. Share your scrapbook with others.
2. Talk about all the ways your family shows God's goodness. Talk about what it means to be made in God's image.
3. Together read the story of Saint Francis of Assisi.