

**GENESIS | AFTERMATH | WEEK 4 OF 4** 

# **Creation Care**

After sin entered the world, it really messed up peoples' connection with God. Thankfully, God had a rescue plan in process! In the meantime, humans made some bad choices by following their own way instead of focusing on God. In this series, students will learn about God's heart for us and how following his way is the best decision we can make.

#### **BIG IDEA**

God cares about all of his creation.

## **KEY VERSES**

"When I see the rainbow in the clouds, I will remember the eternal covenant between God and every living creature on earth." Then God said to Noah, "Yes, this rainbow is the sign of the covenant I am confirming with all the creatures on earth." Genesis 9:16–17 (NLT)

## 1 | Hangout

#### **SUPPLIES**

None

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Explain that when God made his covenant in Genesis 9, he made it with Noah and his family and all living creatures for all generations to come. That's us and all things on earth right now!
- b. Emphasize the Big Idea: God cares about all of his creation.
- c. Discuss:
  - How does this week's Big Idea impact how you see yourself, others, and the world around you?
  - Why do you think some Christ-followers don't show more care towards God's creation?
  - What do you think our responsibility is when it comes to God's creation?



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## 2 | Hear

## **SUPPLIES**

Bibles

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Make sure everyone has a Bible. Share them if needed.
- b. Look up and read aloud Colossians 1:15-17.
- c. Discuss:
  - What do we learn about creation from this passage?
  - What does it tell us about Christ's connection with creation?
  - What do you think "he holds all creation together" (NLT) means?
- d. Explain that because of Jesus we can fully see God's great care for all of creation. Because of Jesus, we can fully see God's great care for us!

## 3 | Huddle

## **SUPPLIES**

Seeds

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- a. Give each student a seed.
- b. Explain that planting these seeds, nourishing them, and watching them grow will show how God wants to take care of us.
- c. While everyone holds their seed, invite the students to pray that God would show your group deep care and that they would show great care for one another and for God's creation.
- d. After praying, discuss a potential small group activity or initiative that your group could undertake to care for God's wonderful creation.