

# CREATOR/CREATION

**Opening Prayer** Heavenly Father, we thank you for this time together to talk more about You and Your work in creation. Help us to grow in our understanding of who You are and who You created us to be. In Jesus' name. Amen.

## Fill in the Blank/Questions—Responding to the Talk in the Big Room

- We talked about an important distinction tonight. All things can be divided into two categories: \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- How does recognizing God as creator tell us something about God?
  
- When God looked at His creation on the seventh day, He saw that it was \_\_\_\_\_.
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- Pastor Lee talked about the complexity of creation being one of the ways we can see the awesomeness of our God. What are some parts of creation that can help remind you of the same thing?

## What Does This Mean? (Catechism Time)

Open up your catechism to page 108. Fill in the following blanks with the words that are missing from the section under “The First Article”:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven and earth.

*What does this mean?* I believe that God has \_\_\_\_\_ me and \_\_\_\_\_; that He has given me my \_\_\_\_\_ and soul, \_\_\_\_\_, ears, and \_\_\_\_\_ my members, my reason and \_\_\_\_\_ my senses, and still \_\_\_\_\_ of them.

## Situation Time

*Talk about the following situations with your group. Take notes on what you discuss!*

*Situation #1:* You're meeting a group of friends at the mall. This guy, Adam, is talking with your friends as you walk up. You over hear him saying as you come closer, “I don't understand you guys. Why do you need 'god' in your lives anyway? My family has made it just fine without any of that nonsense. We provide for ourselves, we have plenty of money, and we don't waste our time with any of that mumbo jumbo religion stuff. There is no god. Your life will be better once you realize that.” Your friends look at you for an answer. From what we've learned tonight, what might you say?

*Situation #2:* Your friend Hope has been struggling with self-confidence for a while. When she looks around at the world, there's not a lot of things that she would call "good." As you sit down next to her at the lunch table, she says, "Ugh. I can't wait to die. This world sucks. I suck, my life sucks, this world is just going down fast and it's not going to get any better." Keeping in mind what we talked about tonight (how God intended creation to be "very good"), what might you say to help Hope see how God sees her and how God sees the world?

*Situation #3:* Your friend Jonathan seems pretty bummed out after practice. You sit down next to him and ask him what's going on. He says, "Nothing. I just feel pretty distant from God. Everyone else has families that all believe and stuff but not me. I mean, I want to—you know—know God and stuff. I just feel like He doesn't want anything to do with me." Remembering what we talked about tonight (about how God wants a relationship with His creation), how would you respond to Jonathan?

### **Share Highs and Lows**

**Closing Prayer** Heavenly Father, we thank You for bringing us together as a crew to learn more about who You are and the work that You've done and the work that You do. Help us as we grow in our relationship with You as one of Your creatures, being good stewards of all that You've given to us. In Jesus' name. Amen.