

PARENT / GUARDIAN CONNECTION

FIFTH GRADE: TOB LESSON 1

THEME: CREATION IS A GIFT

SOW THE SEED



Dear Parents,

In this Theology of the Body (TOB) lesson, your child will learn that **Creation is a Gift** on a deeper level. God gave man and woman to each other as gifts. Each person is a gift — so we should treat each other that way. God designed males and females differently so that they will complement one another and be gifts for one another. This worldview goes with an attitude of wonder and gratitude for the beauty and goodness of creation.

In this lesson, students will compare and contrast Greek creation stories to the Creation stories in Sacred Scripture (Genesis 1 and 2). Through this activity, your child will learn that out of love, God created man in his image, male and female. In contrast, the Greek myths present the gods as selfish and vengeful.

GERMINATE THE SEED



FAMILY DISCUSSION QUESTION:

How does it affect our family when we treat each other as loving gifts from God compared to when we act selfishly?





FAMILY ACTIVITY:

Make a gift for someone within your family to surprise them — for example you could bake their favorite cake for dessert. Alternatively, you could do something thoughtful for a neighbor such as write a card.

FAMILY PRAYER:

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the truths you have revealed to us in the Bible about our creation as male or female in your image. Thank you for creating us to be in a relationship with You, our Loving Father. We love You, please help us to love You more, and to love those around us. Give us the awareness, Lord, to know how we can be a better gift to others in our lives.

Amen.

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