

THE ANIMALS, HOW DID THEY APPEAR?

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In our talks, we talk about the exciting stories of the Bible, of God, of the beginning of the universe. We saw how the world started, how God created the universe and the plants.

Slide 2 *Now that there is earth, air, water and all kinds of plants, everything is ready but... ready... for whom and for what?* **Slide 3** *So what is God's plan, what is his aim, what is he going to do now?*

*We will find out now and at the end of the story you can answer this question: Which animal did God create first: **Slide 4** the elephant, **Slide 5** the parrot or **Slide 6** the dolphin?*

Slide 7 HOW DID THE ANIMALS APPEAR?

In four days, God created **Slide 8** light, the expanse of the sky, the sea, **Slide 9** the dry land, all the vegetation, and **Slide 10** all the lights, Saturn, Mars but also the sun and the moon. Why these stars? To mark **Slide 11** the time, days and years, so you know **Slide 12** what year you were born and what day we are.

Slide 13 Everything was still silent, not a sound, not a cry, there were no living beings yet but everything was ready to welcome life.

God spoke, he said:

Slide 14 - Let the waters swarm with a multitude of living beings and **Slide 15** let birds fly in the sky!

Thus appeared **Slide 16** the great sea monsters, the blue whale, **Slide 17** the sea lion, **Slide 18** the shark, **Slide 19** the carp, the sea lion and all **Slide 20** the species of animals that sneak and swim in the water, the sea snake, **Slide 21** sea, crab, **Slide 22** jellyfish and sponges.

They were of all colors, **Slide 23** some with strange and funny shapes, even the clownfish and the **Slide 24** pajama fish, **Slide 25** the rabbit fish and flying fish!

And in the sky **Slide 26** what happened?

Birds began to flutter, hop, **Slide 27** run, fly on all sides.

Slide 28 The little hummingbird, **Slide 29** the parrot, **Slide 30** the flamingo, the ostrich,

Slide 31 the imperial eagle and **Slide 32** the gendarme weaver.

The silence gave way **Slide 33** to the rooster's cocoricos, **Slide 34** to the cackling of the duck, **Slide 35** to the harmonious songs of the nightingale but also **Slide 36** to the cry of the seagull and the squawking of the sparrows!

Slide 37 What animation in the sea and on land.

Life was there.

God looked and he rejoiced seeing all these wonders.

He blessed all of these animals. He spoke to them.

Do you know what he told them?

Slide 38 - Reproduce yourself! Make children, become numerous, fill the water of seas, rivers and you birds multiply!

Slide 39 It was **the 5th day**.

There was now a lot of commotion in the seas and in the sky but... let's see what is happening on earth... **Slide 40** well! Nothing!

Nothing that jumps, that crawls, that runs, that gallops, only a whole beautiful colorful and fragrant vegetation.

So **Slide 41** on **the 6th day** God spoke, He said:

Slide 42 - Let the earth bring forth living animals after their kind, cattle after their kind, and all the reptiles of the earth after their kind.

And on earth all kinds of animals appeared. **Slide 43** Zebras began to gallop through the fresh grasses with the elegant gazelles, **Slide 44** the majestic lions and **Slide 45** the sheep.

Slide 46 Mischievous marmosets were climbing trees and **Slide 47** snails slowly creeping over fresh leaves, finally... **Slide 48** thousands and **Slide 49** thousands of species of animals appeared.

Even today we do not know them all. But, **Slide 50** you can list everyone you know.

At the bottom of the page, you can write: "God created them all".

Slide 51 All these animals lived without fighting or devouring each other. Do you know why?

Because God gave them the grass, the plants for food. All of nature was at peace.

At the end of the 6th day, there were therefore living beings in the water, in the sky and on the earth.

God looked at all of his creation; he saw **Slide 52** that everything was good, perfect.

Slide 53 1, 2 3, 4 AND YOU AND ME!

When I think of all this creation, I say to myself :

- God is really great. What power and what wisdom! Everything belongs to him and us, what do we do with it?

I believe that he created everything, that he gave life to everything around us.

Slide 54 And you? Do you believe it? Do you thank Him? I do it often.

I regret one thing: that all this beautiful nature is now so damaged polluted. But, I do what I can to take care of it. And you, do you think about it too?

You can find the creation story in the first book of the Bible, **Slide 55** the book of Genesis in chapter one.

Did you answer the question which animal God created first: elephant, parrot, or dolphin?

Slide 56 The dolphin was created first, then **Slide 57** the parrot **Slide 58** and last the elephant

Slide 59 4, 3, 2, 1 AND WE PARENTS!

To induce rejoicing, marveling at the beauties of creation and more particularly of animals, I suggest that you choose an animal with your child and do research, drawings, watch a documentary, watch the ants in the garden or **Slide 60** the spider that weaves its web.

The more we go into detail, the greater our wonder. Astonishment is a hallmark of childhood, but we too continue to marvel and praise God for his creation.

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