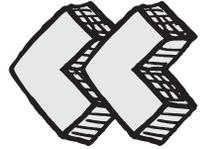


# REWIND



The beginning of God's story with humanity is bumpy. God created Adam and Eve, but they rebelled and sinned against God. All of humanity is sinful. But no matter what messes we make, God never gives up on us.

The Unit 1 icons are: **plus sign, fig leaf, teardrop, rainbow,** and **bricks.** Together these icons tell the story of the beginning of God's relationship with humanity.

## Bible Texts Description

Humanity was created to have a relationship with its creator, God. But since the Fall, we clearly mess up pretty regularly. Even though God got angry enough to destroy creation, God has never abandoned us. God gives us unconditional grace, mercy, and love.

Check out the five Anchor Texts from the Beginnings unit!

- > **Genesis 1:1–5** Creation: What existed before existence?
- > **Genesis 3:1–7** Fall: Why do we break God's rules?
- > **Genesis 3:16–19** Suffering: What's the punishment for the fall?
- > **Genesis 9:9–17** Flood: Why is the rainbow a reminder?
- > **Genesis 11:1–9** Tower of Babel: What does the Tower of Babel say about us?

## Talk about it!

Use these questions to connect with each other.

- > What's something you learned about God's relationship with creation that you didn't know before?
- > How has this unit affected your view of your personal relationship with God?
- > Do you think stories like these still happen? Why or why not?

## What are preteens thinking?

Preteens are naturally drawn to stories, but when it comes to the Bible, they'll watch how you react and mimic your interest. Remember that your enthusiasm for these Bible stories will increase your child's interest, too!

## Try this!

Using a pen or washable marker, draw the symbol from your favorite story on another family member's hand. Share how that story from this unit connected with your life.

## Prayer

We are blessed to be part of a family that helps each other remember the way God works in creation and in our lives.