

HIS STORY PARENT GUIDE

Lesson 1.6: Dominion – I Have Things to Do

SCRIPTURE: GENESIS 1:26

SUMMARY

God made humans in His own image, and gave him work to do on the earth. The fact that we are made in the image of God allows us to be productive and purposeful in work. God gave Adam and Eve many important tasks, such as naming the animals, multiplying the human race, and tending to the needs of the garden of Eden. From this we see that work is a God-given calling and thus, it is not a bad thing. In this lesson, we learn that God created work, and He has created each person with unique capabilities to accomplish that work.



KEY VERSE:

*Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, after Our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."
(Genesis 1:26)*

KEY THOUGHT:

In Lesson 1.6 we learned that God has made each of us for a specific purpose.

KEY WORD:

Calling: the purpose that God has for your life

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What is the one key thought that you learned tonight?
- What jobs did God give to Adam in the garden of Eden (three were mentioned in Genesis 1:28)?
- Did God give Adam these jobs before or after Adam sinned? How does that help us form a right understanding about work?
- Is work a good thing or a bad thing, according to what you learned about God's creation? Why or why not?
- What does it mean that God gave humans dominion (control) over the rest of the things on earth?
- How do we know that humans are superior to all other created things?
- Why did God rest on the seventh day of creation?
- What are some current jobs that you have in your life, which are similar to the jobs that God gave to Adam? Think about it!
- What should you do with the lesson you learned tonight? What should we do?