

Book Two: Children the Rainbow of God / The Soul - Premise
Genesis 2:7 and Genesis 2:22-23

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Alex



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Hi, this is Alex. Today is the first day of the New Year and I am at home with my mother and father since there is no school on this holiday. It is raining outside and all my friends are visiting with family so I am in my room lying on my mother's handmade quilt, eyes closed, listening to the rain through my bedroom window....



"Hey Alex, this is Robbie the Rainbow and I am with Nutty the Squirrel", said Robbie the Rainbow.

"Hi, Alex" said Nutty the Squirrel.

"Hi Robbie the Rainbow and Nutty the Squirrel. I am excited to be with you two today to learn more about God. The last time we were together I learned about the body and why I as a five year old have an important place in the Bible. I teach adults about humility and am written in the Bible for this reason. For the story, read the first book of this series adventure entitled *Children the Rainbow of God*. From the first book, it was made known to me that I would also be learning about the soul and spirit. This adventure today talks about the soul and the next rainy day will talk about the spirit.

"That is right" exclaimed Robbie the Rainbow!



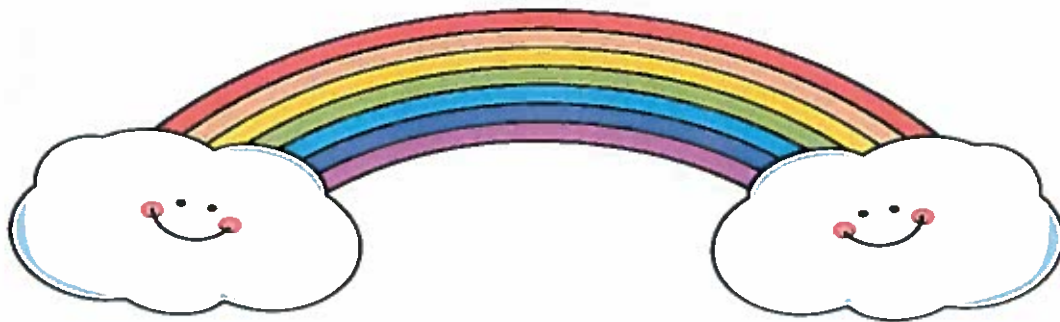
"Alex, I have packed a lunch for this adventure today. Inside my picnic basket is a banana for health, a cheese stick, grape juice, bread and butter, and a salad. This is a healthy lunch for strength. Alex, it is necessary that you have a full stomach to think on this adventure. This is a light lunch also so you can get around without feeling heavy. And Alex, I have the Bible in the picnic basket so we will refer to it during our adventure" said Nutty the Squirrel.



"All of this is exciting" said Alex!

"Sure is, Alex and Nutty the Squirrel. But Alex, we will not refer to the Bible references until we are at our location in the adventure to learn at the adventure itself about God" explained Robbie the Rainbow. "Are you ready to ride on my slide to our adventure Alex and Nutty the Squirrel" asked Robbie the Rainbow?

"I am" said Alex.



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"Before we go Robbie the Rainbow and Alex, where did this dog come from and what is his name he is chewing on my classes" said Nutty the Squirrel?

"Oh, this is my family dog and he is called Wind since he runs fast when he has the chance to run in the woods but he does not talk because he is learning to speak in adventures language - this is his fist adventure after all. He is excited to be here as you can see by his wagging of the tail and Frisbee in his mouth" explained Alex.

"Hi, Wind" said Robbie the Rainbow and Nutty the Squirrel. Wind wagged his tail so fast that his body swung from side to side.

"Now, let's go" exclaimed Robbie the Rainbow!



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Alex, Nutty the Squirrel, and Wind got on Robbie the Rainbows colors and began to go up the Arch like a Roller Costar strapped in for safety. Up, up, up, up they went into the clouds and beyond. Then the ride got faster but Robbie the Rainbow made sure the ride was safe so Alex, Nutty the Squirrel, and Wind were safe and enjoying the scenery.

"Ever been up this high into God's creation - beyond the clouds Alex, Nutty the Squirrel, and Wind" asked Robbie the Rainbow?

"No" said Alex and Nutty the Squirrel together while Wind wagged his tail.



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"I am enjoying this more Robbie the Rainbow because in previous adventures we were transported by imagination and now we ride like a slide" exclaimed Alex!

After some distance of riding Robbie the Rainbow's colorful Arch, a big red light came on inside the Roller Coaster and it read "Next Stop - Dust Storm of the Earth". The Roller Coaster came to a slow halt at the red light.



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"Here we are Alex, Nutty the Squirrel, and Wind. It is time to come from my colorful Arch to the Bible lesson so grab the picnic basket" explained Robbie the Rainbow.

"Wow" exclaimed Alex! This place is huge with tons of tress and fruit and friendly birds all getting along with each other. Is this how God intended for us to live before sin?" asked Alex.



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"God did not want His creation to fall into temptation and sin but they did. Right now though, we are at a time when man has not been created yet, Alex. We are on Day Five of creation when the fowl, whales, and creatures of the waters were created. We are about to witness the creation of mankind firsthand and learn from the Bible about Day Six and man's creation" said Robbie the Rainbow.

"Day Six is upon us now Alex, Nutty the Squirrel, and Wind so we are ready to see God create man" exclaimed Robbie the Rainbow.

"Hey look! Wind is running and running in the field of dust. There is some kind of storm brewing in the dust cloud by Wind" yelled Nutty the Squirrel.



"Wind, get back over here boy. There you go, good boy. Stay by me" said Alex. "Robbie the Rainbow, why is the dust cloud swirling about in the field" asked Alex?

"Nutty the Squirrel, get the Bible out of the picnic basket and tell Alex what the Bible teaches so we can learn together about Day Six, hurry before the dust settles" exclaimed Robbie the Rainbow!

"The Bible teaches that God created the land animals and man in Genesis chapter one on Day Six. We are witnessing Day Six and the land animals are roaming about the Earth. Today Alex, we are going to learn about the soul since we learned about the body in our first book *Children the Rainbow of God*. Genesis 2:7 teaches us that God created man from the dust of the ground which is why the dust is brewing and storming over there in the field...God is about to create man" exclaimed Nutty the Squirrel!



"That is right Alex" explained Robbie the Rainbow. "Recall from our first book that we talked about the body of Christ being believers meaning adults and children. To bring a more complete understanding of the body this verse, *Genesis 2:7*, tells us that man was given a physical body to go along with the spiritual body. We learned about the spiritual body of Christ in book one *Children the Rainbow of God* and now we are learning about the physical body each person has like you, Alex. *Genesis 2:7* tells us that man came from the dust. Look, there is Adam the first man created in the dust storm swirling in the field or the physical body! Notice this Alex, *Genesis 2:7* also tells us that God breathed life into the nostrils of man and Adam like you became a living soul to answer our question today about the soul. *Genesis 2:7* brings the physical body and soul together explaining life and why for all eternity we have a soul and a physical body" explained Robbie the Rainbow.



"Got it Robbie the Rainbow and I am writing this verse, Genesis 2:7, down on my chalk board so I can teach it to my friends when I get home" Alex yelled excited! "Look, Wind is playing with the land animals and is learning how to talk in adventures language so he will be able to speak with us now" explained Alex.

"That is fine Alex, I am playing with the land animals too" exclaimed Nutty the Squirrel. "I am playing with land animals that I am not able to play with at home because they would not be my friends at home as they are here. That is because at this time, Day Six of creation, there is no sin" said Nutty the Squirrel.

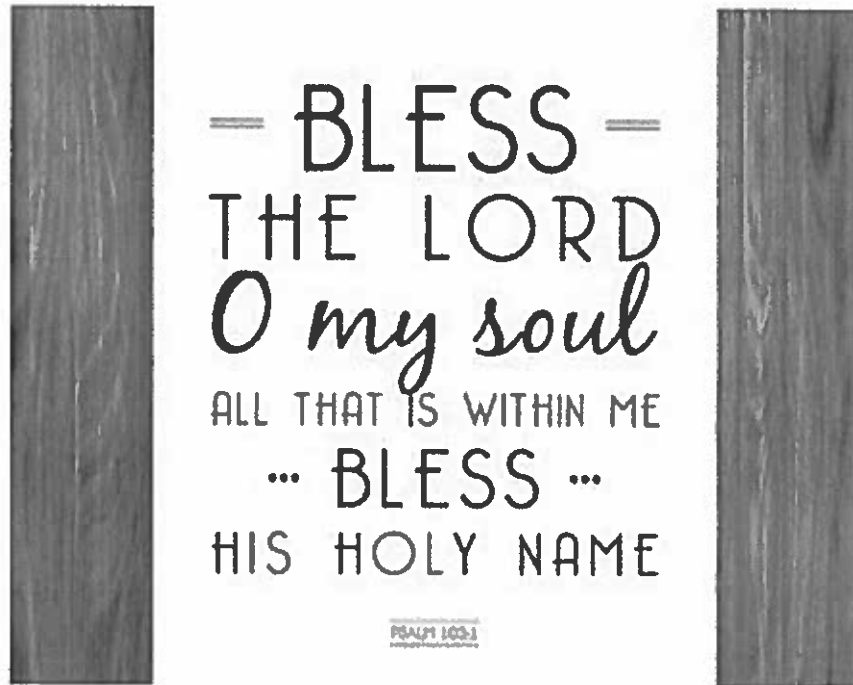
DAY ONE Earth, Space, Time and Light	DAY TWO Atmosphere
DAY THREE Dry land and Plants	DAY FOUR Sun, Moon and stars
DAY FIVE Sea creatures and birds	DAY SIX Land animals and man

Day Seven

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"So, you see Alex. The focal point of this adventure is the soul and we see Adam has been created and given a physical body and soul based on breath given in the dust cloud over in the field. This answers our question today about the soul. We learned about the physical body and soul now and on the next rainy day we will learn about the spirit" explained Robbie the Rainbow.



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Alex said, "What is Adam doing? He is not roaming about anymore with the animals, he is lying on the ground in a deep sleep" asked Alex?

"We see in Genesis 2:22-23 that God created the first woman Eve from man's rib. So what this teaches us is that both men and women have a physical body and a soul based on the breath of life - it is not man alone" explained Robbie the Rainbow.

"Wow, Robbie the Rainbow this is exciting to learn all this truth in the Bible" said Alex.

"Sure is" said Nutty the Squirrel. "Now, Alex, eat your lunch to gain strength from your adventure today with all the excitement. I have Wind with me, he can now speak adventures language" said Nutty the Squirrel. With that Alex began to eat.



"That is correct Alex, I can speak adventures language now"
said Wind.

After eating, Alex observed Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden caring for the garden the way God intended before sin entered the world. Alex also observed the animals getting along with each other and Adam and Eve before sin. Alex also observed Wind and Nutty the Squirrel getting along with the land animals before sin. In all this, none of them would have been able to do any of this at home since the world they live in is in a fallen state of sin. Nutty the Squirrel then explained to Alex that sin entered the world sometime after this point of creation as seen in Genesis 3:13-19.



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"Alex, Nutty the Squirrel, and Wind it is time to go home the rain has stopped. Get in the Roller Coaster and I will take you home" said Robbie the Rainbow. They all entered the Roller Coaster and went home.

After arriving home, Alex heard the voice of his mother saying "Alex, Alex, Alex, it is time to wake up the rain has stopped and we are about to go to the store."



"Yes, mom. As soon as I write down Genesis 2:7 and Genesis 2:22-23 on my chalk board. I am going to tell you about these Bible verses before we go" said Alex.

"Absolutely" said his mother. "After that, we will go to the store, Alex" finished his mother.

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Until the next adventures arrive, tell people about God. In Book one, *Children the Rainbow of God*, we learned about the spiritual body and today in *Book Two: Children the Rainbow of God / The Soul* we learned about the physical body to go along with the soul based on the breath of life given by God. The spiritual body is the whole body of Christ meaning adults and children. The physical body is based on an individual. The soul is also based on an individual. So much was learned about God today, so go tell others about who God is. God bless.

