

God

adapted from *The Mother's Tale* by JMD Myers

In this monologue, originally from a children's play, God creates the world and expresses utter delight over it. Since God is Spirit and the Bible describes the earthly image of God as "male and female," this is not a gender-specific role.

Let there be light! Oh, the light is so good!

Let the water under the sky be moved to one place, and let dry ground appear. And it's good! Now, let the land make plants – all kinds of plants! Vegetables, and bushes, and grass, and trees! Oh, that's good!

Now let there be lights in the sky! They will separate day from night, and they will mark seasons and days and years, and they will give light on the earth. And it was good!

Now let the oceans be filled with all sorts of life: fish and jellyfish, and dolphins, and crabs! And let the sky be filled with birds! All you fish – I love you! Go make more fish, until you fill the whole sea! All you birds – I love you! Go have baby birds, so that there are birds all over the world!

Now let the land be full of animals – all sorts of animals! Hundreds of kinds of animals! Thousands of kinds of animals! Oh, that's good!

Now, let's make humans – man and woman – in our image. Let's make them like us! And we'll put them in charge of all creation.

Look, Adam! Look, Eve! Look at the sun and the sky that I made! I love them! But I love you most of all.

And look at the ocean I made! I love it! But I love you most of all.

And look at all the plants and animals I made! You get to take care of them. I love them so much. But I love you most of all.