

## **Topic:** Creation – God’s Majesty Seen in the Heavens

Note: The practical applications provided in the lesson are offered as suggestions to help the saints in their preparation. They are not meant to direct or limit the ways in which the focus of the lesson can be applied. The saints are encouraged to pray and contact the Lord to receive His burden and guidance in teaching and applying the lesson. Fellowship with other saints, and inquiring of the children themselves, may also bring out many helpful applications.

### **Elementary:**

Verse: “He counts the number of the stars; / He calls them all by *their* names” (Psalm 147:4).

Focus: Majesty means something is impressive because of its beauty, grandeur, and splendor. God is majestic and the stars show us God’s majesty.

Practical Application: When you look at the night sky you can see many beautiful stars. There are several kinds of stars in the sky. Some are very big, some are small, some are old, and some are young. There are also different colors of stars. God created the universe with billions and billions of stars of all kinds to show His majesty and grandeur. Bring photos of the Milky Way galaxy showing the splendor of the stars in their different colors and kinds. Ask the children what else in God’s creation is grand and majestic to them.

### **Intermediate:**

Verse: “And is like the light of the morning when the sun rises,.../ At the *sun’s* shining after a rain” (2 Samuel 23:4).

Focus: Creation shows us God’s majesty. The sun not only shows God’s wisdom and power for providing light and warmth, but also manifests God’s majesty and splendor.

Practical Application: The sun is a particular star that God created for the existence of life on the earth. But the sun is not just for light and heat—it also declares God’s majesty. Have you ever been awake to see the sunrise? The sun rising is a beautiful testament to God’s majesty. The light that breaks forth over the earth is a splendid sight. Have you ever seen a sunset? The beauty of the colors of the sky as the sun sets is also a testament to God’s majesty. Bring photos, including photos of people who have woken up early to witness the beauty of the sunrise. These examples demonstrate that God did not just create the heavens to be “functional” but also to display His majesty.

### **Advanced:**

Verse: “The moon and the stars for ruling the night, / For His lovingkindness is forever” (Psalm 136:9).

Focus: Creation shows us God’s majesty. The shining of the moon at night manifests God’s majesty and splendor.

Practical Application: Bring photos of a full moon and photos of the surface of the moon. Show the children that the surface of the moon is not very beautiful. The terrain of the moon is pocked with craters and the color is dull. Yet at night, when the light of the sun reflects off the moon, the moon is majestic and beautiful. People are drawn to look up at the moon and to gaze at its splendor. This is a reflection of God’s majesty which draws man to honor, serve, and worship God.