

In the beginning

1. (to congregation) I invite you to repeat my words aloud each time I speak. Let's have a practice)

In the beginning

(congregation repeats) In the beginning.

1. Great. Here we go.

In the beginning

2. In the beginning, God

3. In the beginning, God created

4. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth

1. The heavens and the earth

2. In the beginning

3. In the beginning, the earth was formless

4. formless and empty

1. And there was darkness

2. Darkness over the earth

3. Silence over the deep

4. An impenetrable void

1. In the beginning

2. In the beginning, the Spirit brooded

3. floated in shadow

4. hovered over dark waters

2. A waiting womb

3. Spirit giving birth

4. And God said

1. Let there be light!

2. Dazzling brightness

3. Ebony nightness

4. Holy light

2. Holy night

3. Evening

4. Morning

1. And it was good

2. And God gathered the waters

3. Iridescent and eclipsed

4. God spread out the sky

2. Glistening and gloomy

1. And it was good

2. In the beginning, God worked

3. In the morning

4. And in the evening

2. And God gathered the murky waters

3. God scraped the dank mud

1. And made earth and sea

1. And it was good

4. And God raised buried seeds

2. Up from rich mucky soil

3. Fruits and herbs and nuts

4. Trees and shrubs and grasses

2. Ferns and flowers and vines

1. And it was divine

2. And then...

3. Kapow!

4. Shazam!

2. Crack!

3. Boom!

4. Ta-da!

2. The charcoal sky gleamed

3. The inky heavens sparkled

4. A starry, starry night

1. And it was delightful

2. And a sun spun, serene
3. A moon drifted, languid
4. And there was day
2. And it was light
3. (Yawn) and alarm clocks
2. And there was dark
3. And it was night
4. (Yawn) and lullabies

1. And it was good

2. And then...
3. And then...
4. And then?

1. And then God said

2. Let's be creative
3. Let's be super-creative
4. Yes, let's!
- 2, 3, 4. Yes, let's!
2. Let's make alsatians
3. and crustaceans
4. Let's make cockatoos
2. and kangaroos
3. Whales
4. and snails
2. and quails.
3. Baboons
4. and raccoons
2. Clams and lambs
3. Bears and hares
4. Beagles and eagles
2. Worms
3. and germs
- 2, 4: Germs?
3. Germs.
- 4: And was it good?
3. Infectiously good.
- 1. And it was good.**

1. And then God said

2. Let us make
3. Let us make something...
4. Let us make something like... (pause)
2. Us!
3. Us?
4. Us?? (slight pause)
- 2,3,4: Us!!

1. So God made human beings

2. And it was..
3. Not bad!
4. Not bad at all!
2. It was exceptional!
3. It was terrific!
3. Remarkable!
4. Stupendous!
2. Outstanding!
3. Quite impressive, really.
4. Well, done team!
- 1,2,3,4. And it was good.**

2. I'm going to need a cuppa after all that.
3. I'm going to have a nap.
4. (snoring sound)

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