

His Nature in Nature



"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

Romans 1:20 NIV

Have you stepped outside lately? Looked to the sky, enjoyed a bouquet of fresh flowers, listened to the crashing ocean waves or heard the song of a bird? As you do so, you may think you're merely spending time in creation but read the above verse again and you'll see each moment in creation is an invitation to learn more about our Creator. In this study we'll take a look at some of the verses in the Bible that talk about the different parts of nature and what God is showing us through them.

Let's get started! In each of the boxes below draw one of your favorite parts of nature. Then fill in the blanks to reflect on how these parts of nature reveals His nature to you.

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(nature)

I am reminded of God's _____
(aspect of God's character)

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Share one of your above sentences on social media to inspire others!

Now that you've had time to reflect on your favorite parts of God's awe-inspiring creation, let's dive into some "nature-based" Scriptures starting with a look at the sky.

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge.
There is no speech of language where their voice is not heard." Psalm 19:1-3

Wow! Come again? The heavens declare the glory of God and there is no speech or language where they cannot be heard? Take a moment and go look up at the sky wherever you are. Be still before God and ask Him what He is showing you about Himself through the sky you gaze upon.

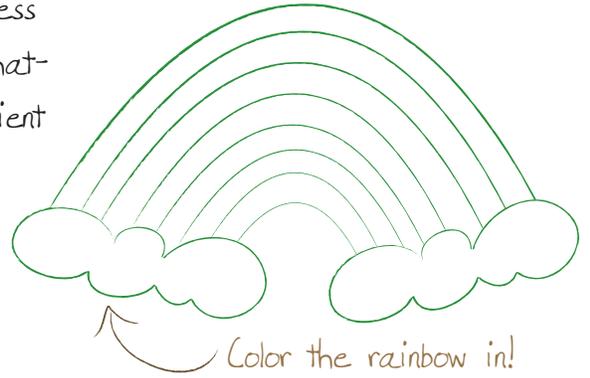
Describe the sky you saw and what God was showing you about Himself: _____

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Let's continue our look into God's nature in nature!

"Whenever I bring clouds over the earth and the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will remember my covenant between me and you and all living creatures of every kind. Never again will the waters become a flood to destroy all life." Genesis 9:14-15

Who knew that a rainbow could speak so loudly of God's faithfulness & long-suffering? After all, He is God and He could do with us whatever He pleases, yet here we see His promise to be ever so patient with us. When you think about God's promise that the rainbow represents, which of His other character traits come to mind?



Fill in each arc of the rainbow with the different character traits of God that you are thankful for!

Now let's take a look at water!

"Mightier than the thunder of the great waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea - the LORD on high is mighty." Psalm 93:4

The word mighty in the above verse means great or majestic. God is revealing His majesty through the breakers of the sea - even more majestic than the breakers of the sea is He!

Imagination } Close your eyes for a moment and imagine yourself standing on the shoreline of the }
Break! } great waters. Listen to the sound of the water crashing up against the breakers. }
Take in the beauty. Pause & praise God; let His majesty refresh you.



Fill in each of the waves with a way that God refreshes you!

As we close, let's take a look at the grass & flowers to again remind us of God's faithfulness!

"All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and flowers fall, but the word of the Lord endures forever..." 1 Peter 1:24-25a

This verse speaks to me about everything as we know it fading away yet God's word standing firm forever. In fact, in this verse we are told His Word is forever established in heaven. So we can literally look at the grass & the flowers and be reminded that our Father is a faithful Father who keeps His word forever!

For our final exercise, write one of your favorite Bible verses amongst the grass... and remember... His eternal power & divine nature can be seen in nature so that no-one is with excuse!

