

CREATION DAY 6

LAND ANIMALS & HUMANS



Dear Vintage Adventure at Home friends

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As we have been preparing the recent issues on the theme of creation, I have been absolutely fascinated by the mind blowing complexity and beauty of the created world. What an awesome God we have! This booklet focuses on the land animals and us. The Bible tells us we are not here by accident but are a special creation of God, and that means that our life has significance and purpose. On some trips to the far east, I have visited temples dedicated to various gods, depicted as passive, devoid of feeling and remote from us humans. Alternatively, some appear rather angry and threatening.

In Genesis, the high point of God's creation is humanity made in God's likeness. Being created in the image of God is what makes us different from the animals, and that is why every human life has unique value. An image is a reflection and God made us in such a way that we reflect something of His own nature. Unlike the Babylonian creation myths, where human beings are created simply as slaves to the gods, the Bible views the apex of the created order as the opportunity for each of us to come into a relationship with our Creator God. And this Creator is not an impersonal, cosmic force or a mathematical theory of everything. The Scriptures say that the Christian God is by His very nature, Love. He is a personal God, interested in and concerned for the human beings He created. He actually wants us to approach Him and spend time with Him.

Indeed, God loves us so much, that He sent His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to earth as a human being, to share in life, becoming hungry, thirsty, tired, sad, tempted, anguished, suffering, and finally to die on our behalf, so that we can be forgiven for our rejection of God. And because Jesus is also God the Son, God has effectively given Himself for us, so we don't have to earn our salvation, but simply receive the gift of forgiveness and eternal life He freely offers.

As you browse the following pages and illustrations, marvel at the wondrous details of our creation, which as Keith writes, God described not just as 'good' but as 'very good' and see if you can spot whenever relationship with the Creator is mentioned.

We pray you will discover something new and exciting, as well as Someone to get to know on your life's journey. Happy reading!

With love and blessings from us all at Caraway Cynthia

WORSHIP



This month we have reached the culmination of God's marvellous creation story found in the first chapter of Genesis. His final flourish on Day 6 is to create all the land animals and He finishes off by creating humans in His own image. It is truly amazing when we look at all the diversity within the animal kingdom. He is the God who created the giant blue whale, and also the tiny pygmy shrew, what a fantastic creator God we worship!

Bible verses

And God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock, creatures that move along the ground, and wild animals, each according to its kind," and

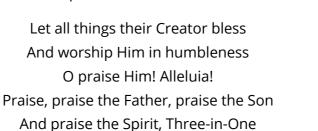
it was so. God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness"...... God saw all that He had made, and it was very good.

Genesis 1:24-26, 31

As we look at God's completed work, it seems only fitting to celebrate all that He has made with the words of a hymn that invites the whole of creation to praise and worship their Maker.

Hymn

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou, burning sun with golden beam
Thou, silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



All the redeemed washed by His blood

Come and rejoice in His great love

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Christ has defeated every sin

Cast all your burdens now on Him

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Then who shall fall on bended knee?
All creatures of our God and King
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



The text for "All Creatures of Our God and King" is a meditation on Psalm 145 which is also heavily influenced by Psalm 148. Both of these psalms call upon all of God's creatures (the word "creature" simply means, "that which is created") to praise Him, and of God's work in sustaining all of Creation. As we read so often in Scripture, all of God's works will praise His Name... everything that is, exists as a testimony to His greatness!

The original words of this hymn were written by St Francis of Assisi. He is the patron saint of the environment, animals and birds because of the respect he gave to all God's creatures.

Bible verse

In Genesis 1:28 God gives humankind the responsibility of being stewards of His creation. God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

In this context it is good to remember that we are made in God's image, so we are to treat the created world with the same love, care and respect as He does. So let us pray that we might be good stewards of God's beautiful world.

Prayers

Lord, the Creator of heaven and earth, how blessed we are to be surrounded by the beauty of Your creation. We lift our prayer of gratitude as we see the stars of heaven, and the beauty of the sunset.

We are amazed by the seas and waterways and all that are in them. We are enchanted by the flowers and trees which are clothed by You.

We are awed by all the animals you created.

For the beauty of the earth, the mountains and valleys, the sun and the moon – we give You praise. Amen.

Living God, You call us to be good stewards of this earthly home, strengthen us to care for Your creation;

Forgive us when, through greed and indifference its beauty is abused and damage is caused to its potential.

Empower us, through Your Spirit to so nurture and love the world, that all creation sings to Your glory. Amen.

Final Blessing

Deep peace of the running wave to you

Deep peace of the flowing air to you

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you

Deep peace of the shining stars to you

Deep peace of the Son of Peace to you.

(Gaelic blessing)



Reflection



Creation Day 6

God said, "Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: the livestock, the creatures that move along the ground, and the wild animals..."

And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image... so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

So God created mankind in His own image...

God saw all that He had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning - the sixth day.

verses from Genesis 1: 24-31

After five days, God's creation is nearly complete. He has made the universe, and the earth with land and sea, plants, fish and birds. Now He

makes the animal kingdom, and what a rich variety we see! It has been estimated that there are about 10 million animal species, many of which we have yet to discover. Some are useful for us, for food, for labour and as pets,



though most are just there as part of the natural world, and show the super-abundance of all that God has made. We find animals living all over the world - in the water and in the air, in valleys and on mountains, in deserts and on glaciers. We see examples of some of these things in the fascinating nature programmes on the television. Some animals are fierce, others are cuddly, while others look ugly. And God said that it was **good** (just like at the end of the other days).

But there was no one to look after it, so God makes humans in His image. Our bodies are amazing: the human skeleton is made up of 206 bones. There are about 200 different cell types in the human body, each with distinct roles (liver, kidney, blood etc.) and overall our bodies contain about 30 trillion cells, working together.

We too are part of the animal kingdom (we don't even get a creation day to ourselves!), but we are special – we alone are made in God's image, to reflect His glory and show His character. We are His representatives, and we are told to care for everything. The natural world is full of wonder, and it's up to us to take care of the amazing diversity of creatures with whom we share our planet.

And now it's all **very good**. God looks at His completed creation and says that it's fantastic, it's brilliant – God is pleased with all that He has made.

Some Bible verses and hymns that remind us that all creation comes from God and praises Him.

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Psalm 150:6

How many are Your works, LORD! In wisdom You made them all; the earth is full of Your creatures. Psalm 104:24



For every animal of the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills. Psalm 50:10-11

"For by Him all things were created... all things were created through Him and for Him." Colossians 1:16

You made humans rulers over the works of Your hands;
You put everything under their feet:
all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,
the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.
LORD, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth!
Psalm 8:6-9

All things bright and beautiful, All creatures great and small, All things wise and wonderful The Lord God made them all.



You are God's Masterpiece

started in His heart,
formed by His hands,
and offered as a gift to the world.

Much more than a work in progress....
you're His good work.
What He started in you
will gloriously unfold for a lifetime.
He sees beauty in you
because you're made in His image
and redeemed by His love.

It's true.

God says you are... created, chosen, cherished, celebrated -His forever



Reflection

At a time when the world seems to need peacemakers and reconcilers more than ever, I thought I would share with you one of the legends of St Francis of Assisi, where he is called upon to make peace between a city and a large, very fierce wolf.

Around 1220 St Francis was in Gubbio. There was a very fierce wolf living in the forest just outside the city gates. At first he attacked the city's livestock for food, but he soon moved on to attacking and killing any human who went to protect the livestock. Soon, the people were too afraid to go outside the city gates. At this point, with the city virtually under siege, St Francis announced that he was going to go and meet with the wolf. The people in the city begged him not to go. But entrusting himself to God and making the sign of the cross St Francis went out to meet the wolf. A small group of men went with him and later they bore witness to what had happened, although they remained at a safe distance.

As St Francis approached the wolf it rushed at him baring its teeth. St Francis again made the sign of the cross and commanded the wolf, in the name of the Lord, not to attack. The wolf went and lay down at St Francis' feet and put his paw in Francis' hand.



Francis leading the wolf to Gubbio

Francis explained to the wolf how wrong it was to kill humans who were made in the image of God. He told the wolf that if he was willing, he would make peace between the wolf and the people of Gubbio. The wolf bowed his head and submitted to Francis, completely at his mercy. Francis then took the wolf through the city gates and into the market place. The people there were absolutely amazed at what was happening. Francis explained that if the people would agree to feed the wolf every day, then the wolf promised not to attack any of them or their livestock. The wolf again placed his paw in Francis' outstretched hand as a sign of the promise made between him and the people of Gubbio and the people agreed to their side of the agreement.

The legend goes on to explain how the wolf lived peaceably for a further two years with the people of Gubbio and when he died, he was given an honorable burial. Unlike many medieval legends, there is possibly some

evidence of the truth of this story. In 1872 renovations were carried out on the Church of St Francis of the Peace and they discovered the skeleton of a large wolf buried near the church wall.



So what has a legend from over 800 years ago got to say to us today about how we live with each other? The story is a lovely example of peacemaking and how lasting peace can be the result. St Francis acted as the peacemaker or mediator. In spite of a state of fear existing between them, he got both sides to meet together and consider each other's needs. He then came up with a mutually beneficial solution - the wolf was fed and the livestock was safe. On the world stage we can see how beneficial it would be for two waring sides to come together, listen to each other's point of view and look for a compromise that benefits both sides.

Maybe on a personal level there are people with whom we are in dispute and we need to sit with them and listen to their point of view, whilst they listen to ours and through that look for the common ground.

Jesus came and lived on Earth to carry out His ministry of reconciliation. He was here to reconcile people to God. As followers of Jesus we too are called to continue this ministry of reconciliation so that people find peace with God and with each other.

The wolf and the lamb shall graze alike, and the lion shall eat hay like the ox....None shall hurt or destroy on My holy mountain, says the Lord" (Isaiah 65:25)

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (Prayer for Peace)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

MY DEAR CHILD

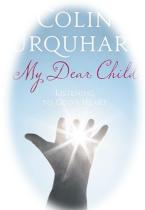
In 1990 Colin Urquhart* wrote 'My Dear Child'.

Describing it as "a book written from the

Heavenly Father's heart to the hearts of His

children....," he continued "To write this book

the Lord asked me to draw aside for several days
to listen to what was in His heart. The experience
of doing this has changed me as a person in many



respects. I have a clearer understanding of Who God is and of the nature of His love for each of His children. This is reflected in the text of this book, and I believe you will receive a greater revelation of God's love for you as you read it."

In My Image

My dear child, I have made you in My image. This does not mean you are exactly like Me, but you are to reflect My character and personality. Whatever I am, I want to see reflected in you. I see you as the real master-work of My creative ability.

I have made mountains, rivers, seas and trees, animals, birds and fish. But I have not made anything else like you. You see, all the other aspects of My creation can give Me glory by being what they are. However, I can be glorified by you in a very particular way.

No Accident

I created you in love, for love. Isn't that good? My real expectation is that you will know My love, be filled with My love, express My love, return My love, give My love to others and enjoy My love. My whole purpose for you is centred around love. Always remember this.

When I created, there was no order on the earth. I enjoyed bringing order out of chaos and seeing everything come together as I had envisaged in My mind. When you look at the creation around you, you can see how ingenious I have been, I have created order in everything from a snowflake to a leaf, from the limbs of an animal to your brain, heart and every other part of your body. No man could have devised or thought up such a scheme of creation, let alone produce it.

I laugh at those who say it is an accident. Accidents end in chaos, confusion and disaster. No accident ends in such finely planned and thought-out order. Deliberate action on My part was at the inception of everything.

So, My child, you were no accident. You are part of My overall plan. Sometimes you think that if it had not been for a man and a woman making love, you would not exist. But who made that man and woman? Who made them able to have a sexual relationship? Who had oversight of your birth?

When you were a young baby you were not able to think, understand and believe as you can now, but I have watched over you and am bringing to fulfilment My plan for your life.



I am a most extraordinary inventor, aren't I? Even when things appear to go wrong, I am able to work in the situation. I can turn everything to good for My purposes...... *Urguhart 1990:23*

*Colin Urquhart was an English Evangelical Christian minister, speaker & author. Born in Twickenham to non-Christian parents, Urquhart joined the local Anglican church choir when he was ten and describes in his testimony how a "vision of God reigning in heavenly glory" persuaded him to give his life to Christ. He served the Lord in ministry for 55 years.

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Some unusual collective nouns for groups of animals

- A SHREWDNESS of APES
- A CETE of BADGERS
- An OBSTINACY of BUFFALO
- A CARAVAN of CAMELS
- A COALITION of CHEETAHS
- A FLOAT of CROCODILES
- A BUSINESS of FERRETS
- A FLAMBOYANCE of FLAMINGOS
- A SKULK of FOXES
- A TOWER of GIRAFFES
- A BAND of GORILLAS
- A DOWN of HARES

- A THUNDER of HIPPOPOTAMI
- A CACKLE of HYENAS:
- A SHADOW of JAGUARS
- A TROOP of KANGAROOS
- A CONSPIRACY of LEMURS
- A LEAP of LEOPARDS:
- A LABOUR of MOLES
- A PRICKLE of PORCUPINES
- A GAZE of RACCOONS
- A CRASH of RHINOCEROSES
- A STENCH of SKUNKS
- A DRAY of SQUIRRELS
- An AMBUSH of TIGERS
- A ZEAL of ZEBRAS



Link the animal with its Latin name

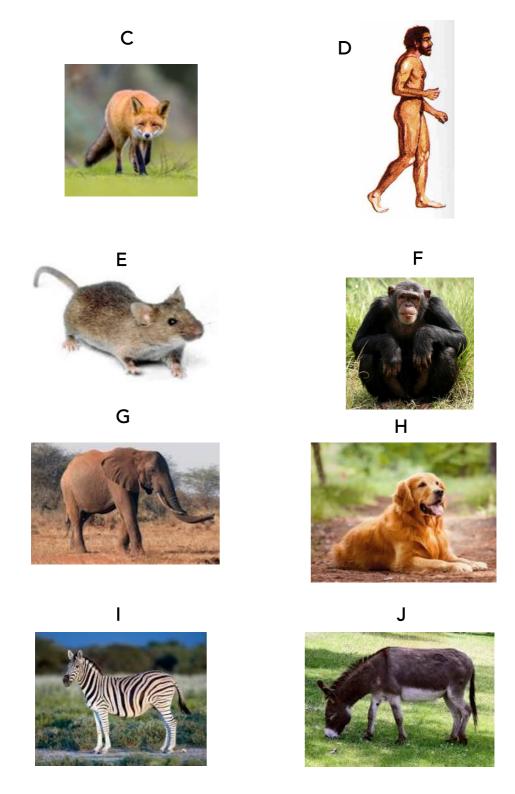
Vulpes vulpes	
Homo sapiens	
Diceros bicornis	
Canis lupus familiaris	
Pan troglodytes	
Mus Musculus	
Loxodonta africana	
Giraffa camelopardalis	
Equus quagga	
Equus asinus	

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The Amazing Human Body

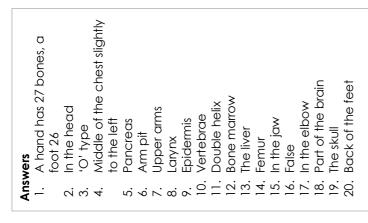
How much do you know about your body?

- 1. The human skeleton grows up until puberty, then remains the same throughout your life. FALSE. The human skeleton renews itself completely once every ten years.
- 2. If a human's DNA was uncoiled it would reach 10 million miles. TRUE
- 3. The human brain uses no electricity at all. FALSE. It uses as much electricity as a ten-watt light bulb.
- 4. There are more bacteria in the human mouth than there are people in London. FALSE. There are more bacteria in the human mouth than there are people in the world.
- 5. The brain contains 86 billion nerve cells joined by 100 trillion connections. This is more than the number of stars in the Milky Way. TRUE
- 6. The shortest bone in the body is the little finger. FALSE. It is the bone in the ear, and it is a quarter of a centimetre long, shorter than a grain of rice.
- 7. A human walks 100,000 miles in a lifetime, which is about 4 times around the equator of the earth. TRUE.
- 8. There are so many nerve cells in a human brain that it would take about 3,000 years to count them. TRUE.
- 9. The fastest muscles in the body are the ones in the legs which make you run and walk. FALSE The fastest muscles are the ones that make your eyes blink. They can contract in less than one hundredth of a second.
- 10. A human eye can distinguish between approximately 10 million different colours. TRUE
- 11. The skin is thickest on your back and thinnest inside our ears. FALSE The skin is thickest on your feet and thinnest on your eyelids.
- 12. An adult's stomach lining renews itself once every four to five days to prevent it from digesting itself. TRUE
- 13. The strongest human muscle is the bicep. FALSE, it is the muscle in the jaw (which is the masseter).
- 14. Bone is five times stronger than a steel bar of the same width TRUE

And here's some more facts about our bodies to test your brain.



- 1. Are there more bones in the hand or foot?
- 2. Where in the body is the cerebellum?:
- 3. What is the most common blood type: 0, B or AB?:
- 4. On which side is the heart located?
- 5. If a person has diabetes, which organ is in trouble?
- 6. What is the other name for 'axilla'?
- 7. Where are the biceps?
- 8. Another name for the 'voice box'?
- 9. The outer layer of skin is called...
- 10. The small bones that form the spine are called...
- 11. The shape of DNA is known as...
- 12. The innermost part of bones contains a substance called...
- 13. Name the largest solid organ in the human body.
- 14. Name the largest bone in the human body.
- 15. Where is the mandible located?
- 16. Teeth are bones: True or False?
- 17. Where is the 'funny bone'?
- 18. In which part of the body would the medulla be?
- 19. The cranium is also called the
- 20. Where is the 'achilles tendon' located?



How well do you know your skeleton?

Here are the names of some skeletal bones, Put them in the correct place on the skeleton. (Answers at the back of the booklet)

Cranium

Scapula

Humerus

Radius

Ulna

Femur

Patella

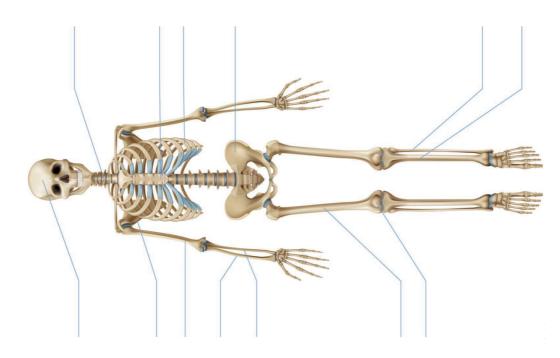
Vertebra

Sternum

Ribs

Pelvis

Fibula



September through the years

1st September 1985

The wreck of the 'Titanic' which sunk on 14 April 1912, was found in the North Atlantic Ocean





2nd September 1985

The 'Great Fire of London' broke out from a baker's house in Pudding Lane. By the time it was over four days later, much of the medieval city was destroyed.

4th September 1682

English atronomer Edmund Halley discovered the comet now named after him. It is visible every 75-76 years.





4th September 1888

George Eastman founded KODAK which helped to bring the photographic use of roll film into the mainstream, thus changing the world of photography.



The first game of Rugby League football was played in England.





9th September 2015

Queen Elizabeth became the longest reigning British monarch.

10th September 1846

American inventor 'Elias Howe' invented and patented the sewing machine.





13th September 1955

Swiss inventor George de Mestral invented and patented what is known today as VELCRO

15th September 1890

Agatha Christie was born. Even after her death in 1976 she is still one of the world's top selling authors known for her detective novels with Hercule Poirot and Miss Marple.





15th September 1928

Scottish bacteriologist Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin accidently while studying influenza. On a Petri dish he had forgotten to place in his incubator, he found a zone completely clear of bacteria. He soon identified

that the mould produced a self-defence chemical that could kill bacteria.

26th September 1973

The supersonic aircraft 'The Concorde' made its first trans-Altlantic crossing in record time.





27th September 1908

The Model T Ford rolled out of Henry Ford's car factory in Detroit, USA. This was the first affordable car for many.

UNSCRAMBLE WORD SEARCH

To solve this puzzle, first unscramble the animal word opposite and then find the word in the puzzle.

G	R	1	Z	Z	L	Υ	F	0	Q	Н	В	Т	Α	K
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NKOYEM	
ETGRI	MAHRETS
ACT	NUKSK
	BABRIT
EHRSO	
RALOTLGIA	LAKOA
	SOUCTPO
USME	ZLIRAD
EGARIFIF	
	AKARARDV
SFHI	HIPNCUKPM
GYZIRLZ	
ITCORSH	RAHSK
Treaksir	CWO
OFGR	
ODG	TEPNLAHE
	OKORNAGA
HEGEDHGO	GAOT
TOHSL	GAOT
	AZREB

Answers to Animal Latin name

A) Giraffa camelopardalis Northern Giraffe

B) Diceros bicornis Black Rhinoceros

C) Vulpes vulpes Fox
D) Homo sapiens Human

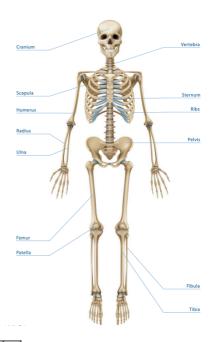
E) Mus musculus

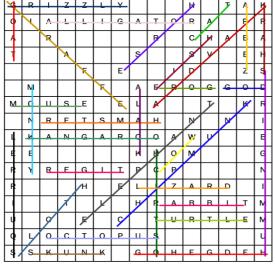
F) Pan troglodytes Chimpanzee

G) Loxodonta africana African Elephant

Mouse

H) Canis lupus familiaris DogI) Equus quagga ZebraJ) Equus asinus Donkey





SHUDRMIMBING __HUMMINGBIRDS_______
HIPNCUKPM ____CHIPMUNK______
RAHSK ____SHARK______
CWO _____COW_____
TEPNLAHE ___ELEPHANT_____
OKORNAGA ____KANGAROO______
GAOT _____GOAT_____

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