

A taste of creation...



## Living on the Creative Side of Life: Lessons From the World Around Us

### Sed imperdiet molestie wisi sed ullamcorper elit nec rhoncus rhoncus set wisi

One of the stories that in Scripture that has always captured my attention is the opening chapters of Genesis. Just think if we could see the events of Genesis 1 and 2 unfold before our eyes. Imagine watching as the world springs up before your very eyes. Trees, flowers, critters, and creatures of every variety magically appearing where before there was nothing. Say what you will about the excitement of nature watching, I'm having a hard time think of anything more remarkable than this.

This ability to create is just one of many things that catches my eye when I think about

God. Who else has done anything like this? Believe it or not, we're not as different from God in this regard. Genesis tells us that we have all been created in the image of God. One thing that this means is that we've all got some of God's creative juices in us.

If you're like me it's pretty easy to forget about this. Because we're busy people we spend most of our time running from place to place- always doing. What might be different if we took a bit of time to catch our breath and enjoy what God has created? I think we might notice some pretty remarkable things.

But I'd like you to take it one step further. While noticing how creative God can be is pretty exciting. It's even more exciting to do what God does! We know that we're supposed to be loving and kind like Jesus

was, but maybe we don't think about all the other ways God has asked us to be like him.

So what do you create? You might not be able to speak a world into existence, but you can do a lot to increase the creation that God has begun. Whether it be music, visual art, poetry, story telling, or even creating laughter, make a decision this week to do what God does by joining him in creating a very good world.



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I wanted to say thanks for the incredible time that you all gave me when I came up to visit. I couldn't have asked for a better time! I really loved getting together with each of you and spending some time chatting, laughing, telling stories, and beginning to build some relationships that will last for years to come. Thanks for your willingness to dive in and make the most of everything we did together. You're all in my prayers as you finish up the school year. I can't wait to see you all again. I'll be counting down the days until my next trip arrives!