

Year 5

Stewardship of God's world

BIG QUESTION: How can we see God in creation?

The Psalms are sacred songs or hymns. They are beautiful prayers of worship. Some Psalms tell us about the magnificence of God's creation.

Psalm 8: "Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens... When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them."

Psalm 19: "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands."

Psalm 29: "The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders."

Task: Can you find any more Psalms about the beauty of God's creation?



Key Vocabulary

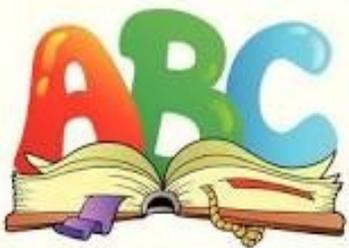
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Laudato Si

psalm

climate

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Pope Francis said. "I would like to ask all those who have positions of responsibility in economic, political and social life, and all men and women of goodwill: let us be protectors of creation, protectors of God's plan inscribed in nature, protectors of one another and of the environment."

Task: Can you write a letter to Pope Francis in response to this speech telling him about what you think we should do to protect God's wonderful creation, and why?



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BIG QUESTION: How can we be guardians of nature?

Pope Emeritus Benedict said something very important when he spoke to students. He called on them to become “guardians of nature,” and asked them to follow in the footsteps of St Francis of Assisi the patron saint of ecology.

“Respect for the human being and respect for nature are one, but both can grow and find their right measure if we respect in the human being and in nature the Creator and His creation. On this, dear young people, I believe to find allies in you, true “guardians of life and creation.”



Task: Design your own superhero who is a guardian of nature. Design their costume, create a name for them, give them super powers and write an adventure story about them.



Music Task

Research both hymns and pop music to find as many examples as you can of God's beautiful creation.

Make a list



Art Task: There are many paintings which show the theme God's creation. See how many you can find.

Reading Task: Can you find any stories about being a guardian of nature? Which is your favourite?

PE Task: Can you walk a mile for the environment? Whilst on your walk focus on the beauty of God's creation.

