



## Seeing God's Creation

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My family traveled to Yellowstone National Park this summer. The beauty and majesty we witnessed are indescribable. Rivers, waterfalls, rocky ridges, and wildlife inspire awe in every observer. Over and over, my family and I commented on how great our God is to have created such a world as ours.

This is precisely how the God of our universe wants us to react when we observe his creation. In fact, the Bible says that anyone who sees what God has created and denies that there is a God who created it is a fool (Psalm 14:1). In the book of Romans, the apostle Paul wrote that anyone who claims there is no God is without excuse. The majesty and complexity of the universe insist that an all-wise and all-powerful God is behind it.

But the God of this universe was not content with just letting nature tell us about himself. He wanted us to know him more personally. So he became one of us in the person of Jesus Christ. He walked among us for thirty-three years. He showed us, in word and deed, who God is and what God is like. He performed miracle after miracle to demonstrate his power and his love. Then he gave himself up to his enemies and allowed himself to be put to death on a Roman cross. There he suffered the punishment for all the sins of all people of all time. There he suffered the punishment for your sins.

When you witness the beauty and majesty of this world, think about God, who created everything. Remember how much he loves you, enough to come into the world he created so that he could save you. And look forward to the new world he promises to create for all his followers when this world comes to an end.

### **Questions & Answers about Creation:**

#### **How old is the earth? I've heard a few numbers.**

No precise number is available. Biblical chronologies—and they are incomplete—suggest that God created the world within the past 6,000 to 10,000 years. Of course, God created a fully mature world, so objects had age at the very beginning of time.

#### **Were there really dinosaurs on earth?**

While we can't absolutely rule out the idea that dinosaur fossils were created by God and aren't evidence of extinct creatures, we consider it most probable that various dinosaurs did indeed exist. And we're well aware that some Christians are reluctant to accept this evidence because they think it conflicts with biblical revelation. We are less certain what these extinct creatures really looked like. Dinosaur fossils usually consist of fragments. Even if scientists find nearly complete skeletons, they still must guess what the animal originally looked like.

Questions abound: Were they sluggish or swift, cold-blooded or warm-blooded? Were they fat or slim, hairy or feathered? Reconstructing dinosaurs from fossil remnants involves much guesswork and yields frequent disagreement among scholars. Answers are elusive, and speculation is widespread despite occasional knowledge of significant skeletal structures.

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