



The earth was uninhabitable but the Spirit of God was in the neighborhood. *Genesis 1:2*

- God graciously creates to provide a spectacular place for mankind to live. *Is. 45:18*
- God loves to turn purposeless chaos into something beautiful.

Creation Day #1 - *"Then God said, 'Let there be light'; and there was light."* *Genesis 1:3*

- God begins by piercing the darkness with His Light. *Exodus 10:23; 13:21; Rev. 22:5*
- God wants His Light to shine through us and impact those we meet. *Mathew. 5:16*

Creation Day #2 - *"God said, 'Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters.'" Gen. 1:6*

- The sky separated the mass of water that encompassed the earth into two layers.

Creation Day #3 - *"Let the waters below the heavens be gathered...dry land appear"* *1:9*

- Day 3 was good because it provided mankind with a place to stand and food to eat.

Creation Day #4 - *"God made two great lights...He made the stars also."* *Genesis 1:16*

- God loves when His creation causes us to worship Him. *Psalms 19:1; Romans 1:25*

Creation Day #5 - *"Let the waters teem with...living creatures...let birds fly..." Gen. 1:20*

Creation Day #6 - *"...God said, 'Let the earth produce every sort of animal..." Gen. 1:24*

God's creative expressions reveal Himself and should affect how we view ourselves.

- God brings order and beauty out of chaos - You can trust Him with your crazy life.
- Every time God exerts His will, the result is good - Trust He knows best. *Rom. 8:28*

Further study and pondering:

1. Recall a time(s) when God's creation simply overwhelmed you and resulted in worship.
2. Prayer: Are there areas of chaos in your life? Trust the God who formed and ordered the universe, with these aspects of your life. He will create beauty/peace.
3. Further study - God the Creator: (*Psalms 19:1; 33:6-9; Isaiah 45:18,19; John 1:1-5; Heb. 11:3*)
4. Read *Matthew 5:14-16*. How is your everyday life fulfilling this light-shining mission? Prayer: Ask God to open up opportunities for you to shine your light this week.
5. Read *Rom. 8:28; Jeremiah 29:11*. When God asserts His will, "good" things result. Align your mindset to anticipate God's "good" intentions toward you.

God loves to create beauty out of chaos!