

WHAT GOD HAS DONE

Psalm 19:1; 24:1

Introduction: Most people have never taken a good look at the world we live in. Most know a few scientific "facts" but just enough to pass an exam or to help their children in one of their science studies. Here are some commonly known things and then some rarely known things about the world our God has made.

DID YOU KNOW:

That the sun is 93 million miles from the earth?

That the earth is in the exact orbit around the sun to cause heat and cold, night and day, summer and winter, fall and spring?

That over 350 years ago a man named Galileo studied the moon in the sky through a telescope?

That if we could drive to the moon in a car, at 60 mile per hour without stopping or slowing down, the trip would take 165 days and nights? If we left on March 20th, we would arrive on September 1.

That all living things have ways to make more of their own kind, but that a rock cannot make more rocks?

That the father sea horse carries the baby in a pouch on his front side?

That people cannot change things? Soap changes when you wash, but it is still soap; butter melts, but it is still butter.

That the General Sherman Sequoia tree is 30 stories tall (high) and right at 4,000 years old?

That baby seals are called "pups?" Whale babies are called "calves?" Baby penguins are called "chicks?"

That a penguin cannot fly? It can walk and slide on ice, it is a good swimmer, yet it is classified as a bird.

That a bat has wings and can fly well? It is NOT classified as a bird. It is a mammal.

That the baby dragonfly, which is called a "nymph," catches its food in the bottom of the pond? There are gills in its tail and it does not have to come up for air.

That the green substance in plants is chlorophyll? Without chlorophyll plants cannot make food.

That cactus plants swell as they store water when it rains? They use this water between rains in the desert.

IN THE BEGINNING:

Before clocks, God was. There never was a time when God did not exist.

God wanted someone to love and worship Him, so God made a place.

First, God made light. "Create" means to make something from nothing and only God can do that. We can make something from something else, but we cannot make something from nothing. This shows how great God is.

God separated the light from the darkness. "Day and Night" He called them. The first day was over.

The second day, God divided water into two parts, above and below.

The third day, God told the dry land to appear and He called it earth. The God asked for vegetation and trees and plants began to appear and God saw that everything looked good.

On the fourth day, God created the sun, moon, all the stars and planets. The sun was to shine during the day and the moon at night.

Now, God was ready to make living creatures, everything according to its kind. Fish for the seas, birds for the air. God told them to multiply and scatter over the earth. This was on the fifth day.

On the sixth day, God brought forth the wild animals, those that could be tamed and then the creeping, crawling things. God was pleased with them.

A little later on the same, sixth day, God said, "*...let's make man in our image, after our likeness...*"

Man was the greatest creation by God. Man could love and worship God, he could learn, plan and work. He could fish and hunt. So God told man to rule the earth and God was pleased with it all.

Everything was finished and on the seventh day, God rested. Although God didn't need the rest, but He did it so we, today, would do it. We do need one day out of seven for rest, for a special time to worship God. We must lay aside our regular work and think of God in a special way.

This was God's act of creation. He made all of this for US. He gave us a place to live and work and to love and worship Him.

Let us treat our earth as a gift from God.

Let us treat God as the giver of all that we have and know.