



This series explores how we, as followers of Jesus, think about and care for creation. The climate crisis is big news, big business and big anxiety but do we have a more hopeful story to share? We will explore key passages of Scripture taking us into the theology of creation care and how we can each live it out day by day. The third in our series considers 'Jesus & Creation' following Amy's talk on Sunday 15th Sep.

Suggested listening: Heaven's voice brings the dawn (Resound Worship)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=msWH0HQJTRQ>

STARTER: Where have you seen God's fingerprints in your life this week?

- 1) When have you felt closest to God in nature?

Read Luke 12:22-31

- 2) What stands out to you from the passage, is there anything that particularly speaks to you?
- 3) What do the rhythms of nature—like birds and flowers—teach you about trust and releasing anxiety in your own life?
- 4) Where in your life do you sense God inviting you to "tend and keep" creation in a deeper way, whether in your community or at home?
- 5) How can you view your acts of creation care—whether small or large—as acts of worship? What might shift in your heart if you did?

Read Mark 10:35-45

- 6) Jesus tells his disciples they must be 'slaves/servants of all.' How does this command relate to our stewardship of creation?
- 7) How do you feel about being called to serve creation? How can you cultivate a servant's heart toward the environment?
- 8) What challenges do you face in balancing the desire for convenience or comfort with the call to serve the earth as a steward?
- 9) How might God be calling you to integrate care for the environment more deeply into your spiritual life? What steps can you take toward that?
- 10) How might you model servant leadership in your community when it comes to environmental stewardship? What specific actions could you take?

Reflect: Read Psalm 19 slowly

Psalm 19 reminds us that creation speaks of God's glory, and the skies proclaim His craftsmanship. In what ways do you see the natural world around you revealing God's character or inviting you into deeper worship? Depending on the time of day or season, you might like to do this outside.

Final Prayers

- Is there anything that today's study has thrown up that you need to pray into?
- Are there any other things for which people would like prayer?
- Lift one another up to God for the week ahead.