

Loving Our Maker

Focus: Calling us to love God as the Maker of everything, including us, and to use creation as a prompt to love and worship God throughout our days

RESOURCES:

Here are some creation videos to use at the close of your time to prompt worship of God as our

Creator:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a5wZV83Je4A>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gj0OH3xGVuE>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lnNlp1Q4wsM>

Discussion:

- (Optional Intro. - have your people bring (or send to you) places in creation that have been prompts to worship and love God. Begin by sharing those)
- Read the following passages that were used in the sermon and share what they teach us about God as the Maker of all things (you can do this collectively or assign differing verses to individuals in your group): Rom. 1.19, 20; Col. 1.15-17; John 1:3; 1 Tim. 6.13; Rom. 4.17; Ps. 96:4-6; Is. 40:25-26; Neh. 9.6 (If you would rather work with just one or two larger passages, try these Jer. 10.6-16 and Ps. 104 or Prov. 8.22-31)
- Read Ps. 139.13-16 and Ps. 100.3-4 and share the difference it ought to make in how we think about ourselves and others as we realize God is *our* Maker.
- What robs you of the joy of seeing God through His creation? What helps you do that? (you can share about special places or incidents at this time if you didn't earlier)
- Watch one of the videos at the right and spend time worshipping and praising God in response (Rev. 4.11). Encourage the liberal use of Scripture reading as part of this time!

2016 Annual Priority:

To establish a greater devotion to owning and being shaped by the three great loves embedded in our mission statement's goal of becoming a mature and ministering worshiper of God; love for God, love for the church, and love of neighbor.

