

**A New Creation: An Easter Series**  
**Individual or Small Group Study Guide**  
**Week 5 “A New Creation”**  
**2 Corinthians 5:17-21**

**Week 1: Hope for All Creation**

Sunday – Mark 16:1-15 & Psalm 96:1-2, 11-13

Monday – Romans 1:20

Tuesday – Hebrews 11:1-3

Wednesday – Psalm 8

Thursday – Isaiah 45:11-12

Friday – Colossians 1:16

Saturday – Genesis 2:9

**Week 2: God’s Wide World**

Sunday – Psalm 104:5-24 & Job 12:7-10

Monday – Genesis 1:1-4

Tuesday – John 1:1-5

Wednesday – Ecclesiastes 3:1-15

Thursday – Matthew 6:25-35

Friday – Job 38:25-27

Saturday – Job 38:34-41

**Week 3: A Special Responsibility**

Sunday – Genesis 1:28-31,  
Genesis 9:8-17

Monday – Matthew 1:1-13

Tuesday – 1 John 3:1-16

Wednesday – Romans 8:15-17

Thursday – Matthew 25:34-37

Friday – John 1:12-13

Saturday – 1 Peter 2:4-12

**Week 4: Facing Creation’s  
Brokenness**

Sunday – Romans 8:19-25

Monday – Isaiah 24:4-5

Tuesday – Matthew 24:8

Wednesday – 2 Peter 3:10

Thursday – Nehemiah 9:6

Friday – Psalm 18:6-15

Saturday – Revelation 3:15-17

**Week 5: A New Creation**

Sunday – 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

Monday – 2 Timothy 2:2

Tuesday – Psalm 71:18

Wednesday – Proverbs 13:20

Thursday – 1 Peter 5:1-9

Friday – Isaiah 11:6-9

Saturday – Revelation 21:1

**As human beings,  
we tend to think  
the world revolves  
around us! As  
scripture opens  
our eyes to the  
fullness of God’s  
creation, let us  
consider a shift in  
perspective.**

**OPENING PRAYER:** Lord of all creation, we give thanks for the beautiful earth you have provided for us. May we be more mindful of your creation and care for creation as an act of gratitude and respect for your holy name. Thank you, Lord. Amen.

**Quote:** *“The pure of heart see all things full of God. They see him in the firmament of heaven, in the moon walking in brightness, in the sun when he rejoiceth as a giant to run his course. They see him ‘making the clouds his chariots and walking upon the wings of the wind.’ They see him ‘preparing rain for the earth,’ and blessing the increase of it.” – John Wesley*

**STARTER QUESTIONS:**

When do you find yourself out in nature? What outdoor activities do you enjoy most (hiking, gardening, camping, going to parks, etc.)?

**WRESTLING WITH THE WORD:**

Read 2 Corinthians 5:17-21

1. Often when we read this passage, we think first of humanity in God’s salvation plan. Where does this passage give us insight that all of creation is a part of God’s vision of reconciliation?
2. What does it mean to be an “ambassador for Christ”?
3. How does our role as ambassadors of Christ relate to and reshape our role as stewards of creation (from Genesis 1)?

**NEXT STEPS:**

1. In what ways can we continue to remind ourselves that God’s salvation plan encompasses all of creation?
2. What are projects/programs in our church and community that we can support that are involved in reconciling God’s creation?

**CLOSING PRAYER:**

Creator God, mold us to be your ambassadors who care for your creation. Lead us to opportunities to care and advocate for all of your creation.

Amen.



**OPENING PRAYER:**