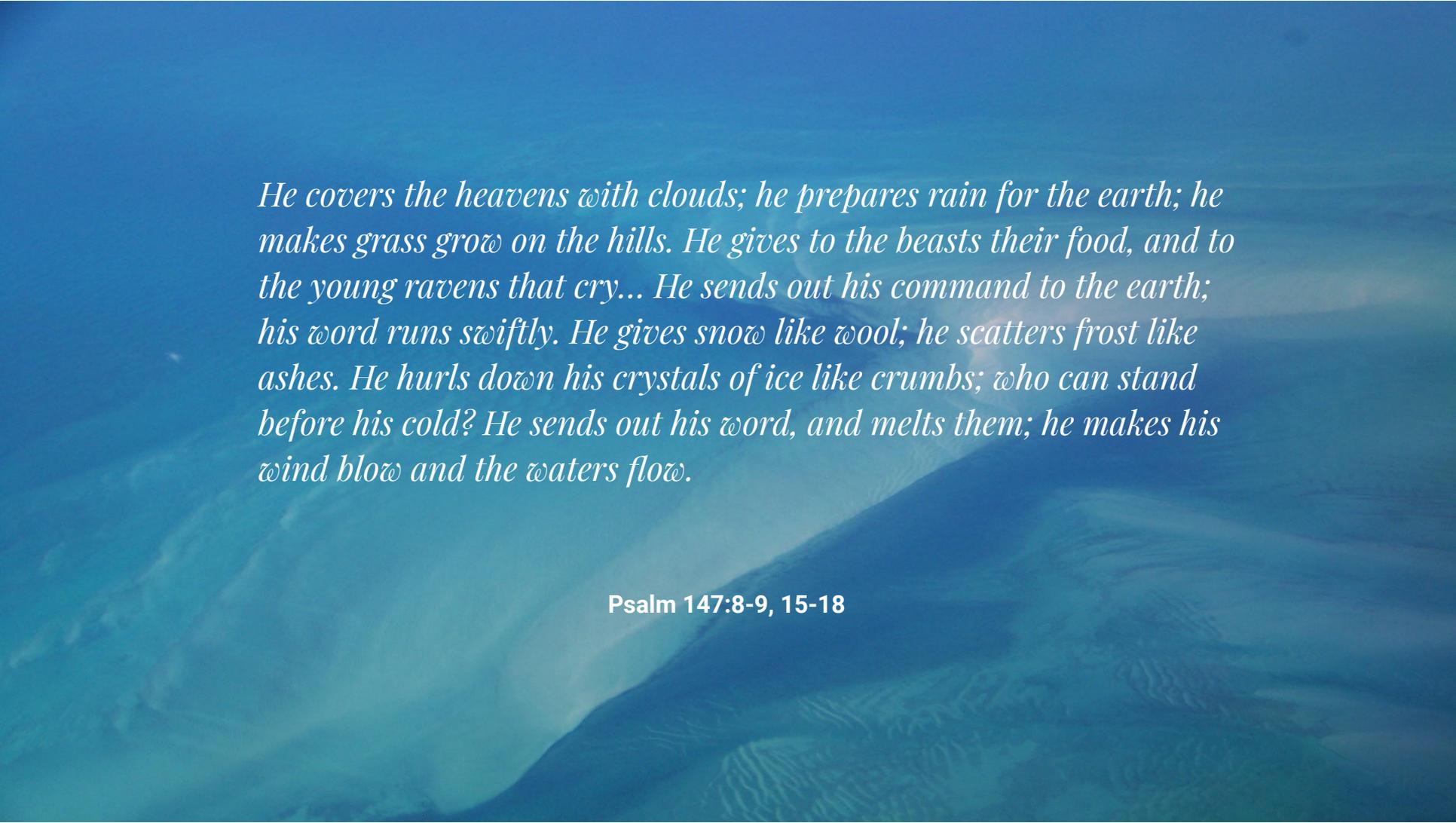


God Speaks Through His Creation

“For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made.”

ROMANS 1:20



He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth; he makes grass grow on the hills. He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry... He sends out his command to the earth; his word runs swiftly. He gives snow like wool; he scatters frost like ashes. He hurls down his crystals of ice like crumbs; who can stand before his cold? He sends out his word, and melts them; he makes his wind blow and the waters flow.

Psalm 147:8-9, 15-18





*The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they display knowledge.
There is no speech or language
where their voice is not heard.
Their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.*

Psalm 19:1-4 (NIV)



*13 For you created my inmost being;
you knit me together in my mother's womb.*

*14 I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;
your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.*

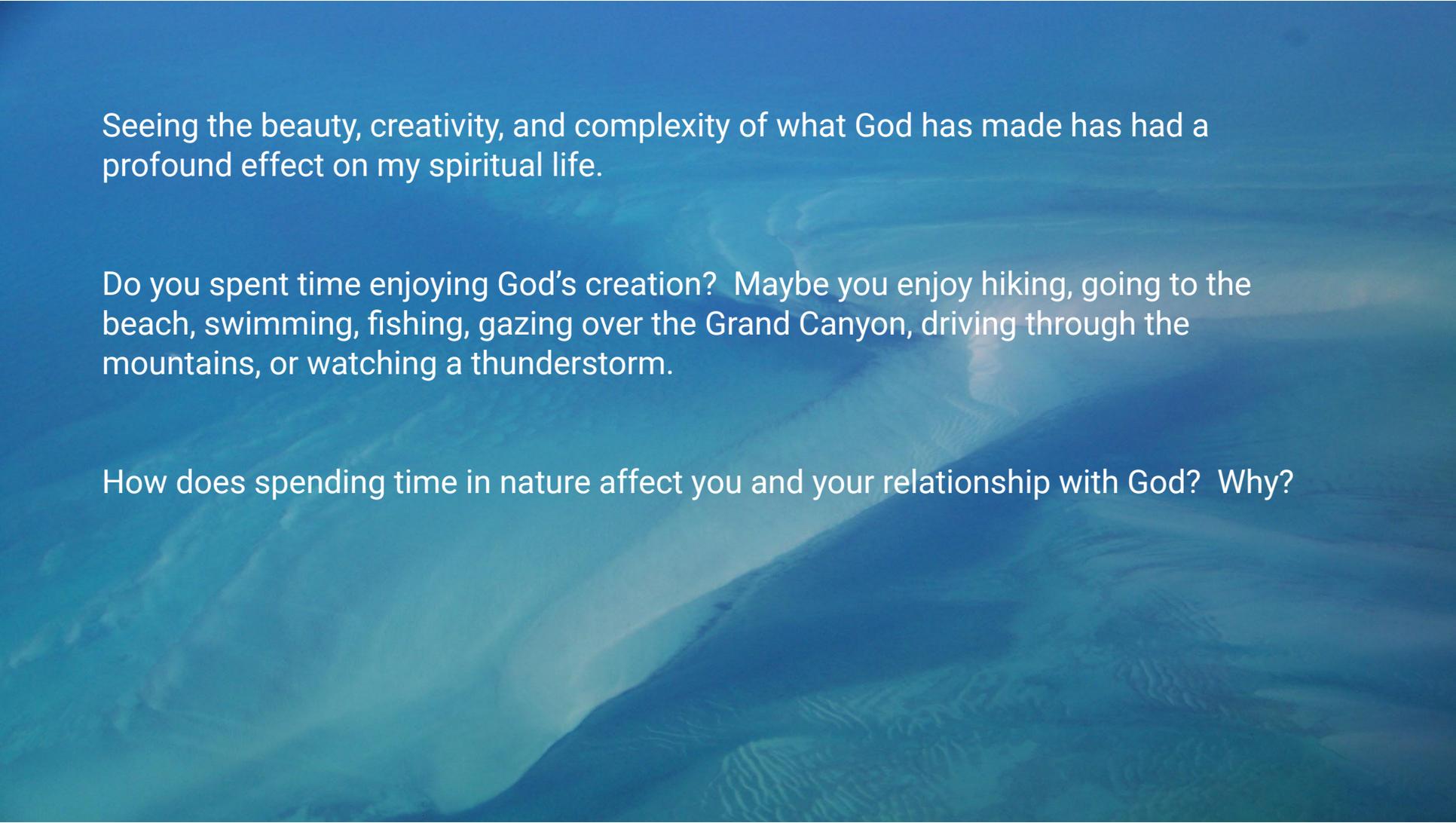
*15 My frame was not hidden from you
when I was made in the secret place,
when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.*

*16 Your eyes saw my unformed body;
all the days ordained for me were written in your book
before one of them came to be.*

*17 How precious to me are your thoughts,[a] God!
How vast is the sum of them!*

*18 Were I to count them,
they would outnumber the grains of sand—
when I awake, I am still with you.*

Psalm 139:13 - 18 (NIV)

An aerial photograph of a vast desert landscape, likely the Grand Canyon. The terrain is characterized by undulating sand dunes and a winding road that cuts through the desert floor. The lighting is soft, creating a warm, golden glow across the scene. The overall color palette is dominated by warm, earthy tones like beige, tan, and light brown.

Seeing the beauty, creativity, and complexity of what God has made has had a profound effect on my spiritual life.

Do you spent time enjoying God's creation? Maybe you enjoy hiking, going to the beach, swimming, fishing, gazing over the Grand Canyon, driving through the mountains, or watching a thunderstorm.

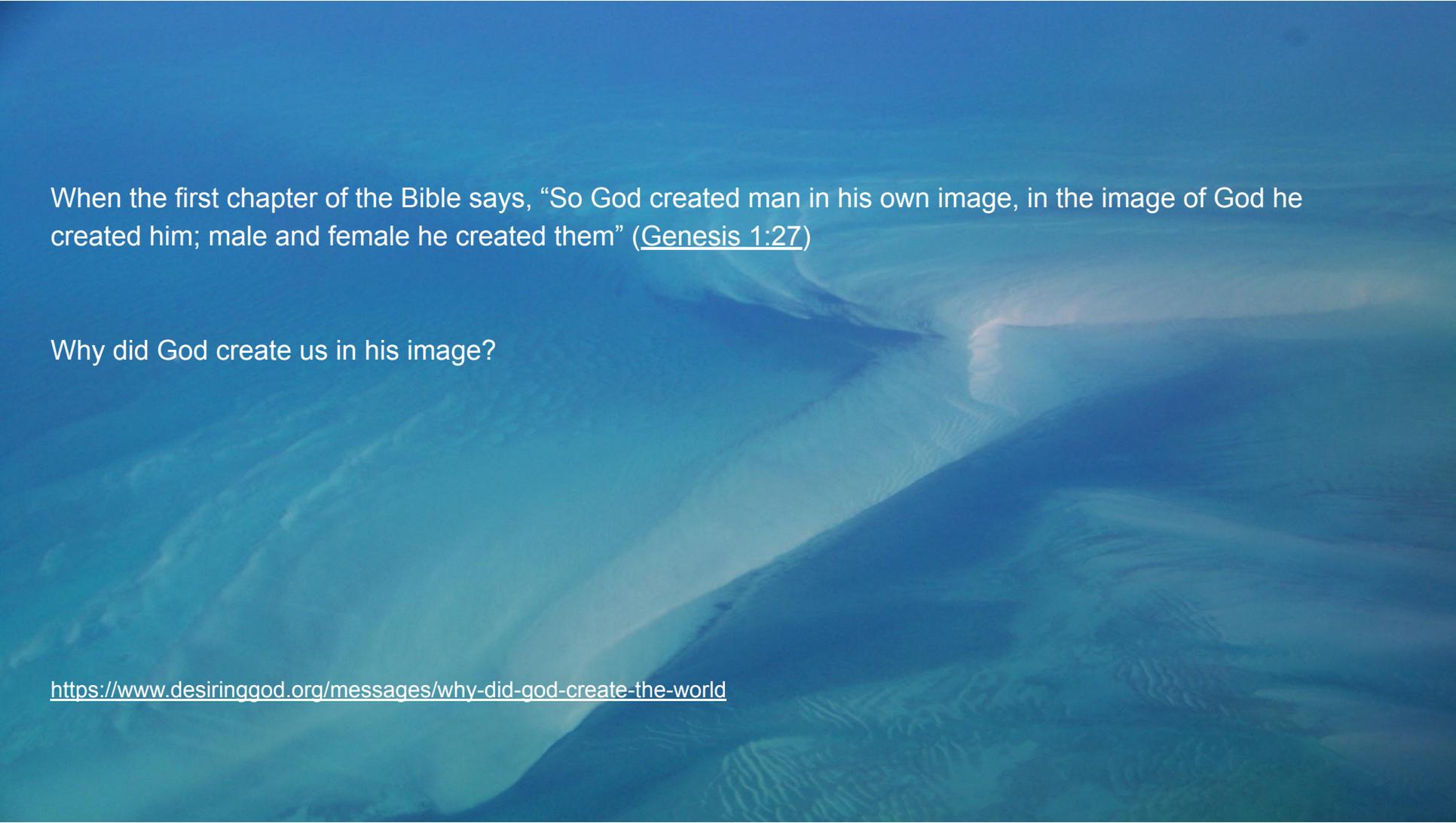
How does spending time in nature affect you and your relationship with God? Why?

God speaking through creation or the natural world means that when we look up at the stars or gaze at a hill covered with wildflowers, we see the fingerprints of God.

When you fix our eyes on the wonder of creation, do you see the intricate design and the way the our world appears to be fine-tuned for life.

Consider the following: If the electromagnetic force in atoms were weakened by a mere 4 percent, then the sun would immediately explode (the diproton would have a bound state, which would increase the solar luminosity by a factor 10¹⁸). If it were stronger, there would be fewer stable atoms. If the protons were 0.2 percent heavier, they would decay into neutrons unable to hold on to electrons, so there would be no stable atoms around. If the proton-to-electron mass ratio were much smaller, there could be no stable stars, and if it were much larger, there could be no ordered structures such as crystals and DNA molecules.

Could this happen just by chance?

An aerial photograph of a vast desert landscape, showing rolling sand dunes. The scene is bathed in a soft, golden light, likely from a low sun, which creates a prominent lens flare effect in the upper right quadrant. The dunes are characterized by their smooth, undulating curves and the intricate patterns of wind erosion on their surfaces. The overall color palette is a mix of warm yellows, oranges, and soft blues, creating a serene and majestic atmosphere.

When the first chapter of the Bible says, “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them” ([Genesis 1:27](#))

Why did God create us in his image?

<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/why-did-god-create-the-world>

So, did God create other people out there in the universe, on another planet that also needed saving?

Planets orbiting stars are being discovered regularly. They are, however, so far away that sending and returning a single message could take hundreds or thousands of years. Not a great way to carry on a conversation.

Even if we could communicate, traveling there is even less desirable because we can't move as fast as the speed of light. Even if we could, galaxies containing these planets are moving away from us at ever increasing speed.

The bottom line is God could if He wanted to because He is sovereign and all powerful but is it really worth contemplating?

He did make this beautiful planet for us, his masterpiece. We would do well to take care of this place and take care of each other because it is our home and there are no other 'neighbors'.

John 1:3 - Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

Job 12:7-10 - 7 “But ask the animals, and they will teach you, or the birds in the sky, and they will tell you; 8 or speak to the earth, and it will teach you, or let the fish in the sea inform you. 9 Which of all these does not know that the hand of the LORD has done this? 10 In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind.

Psalm 96:11-12 - 11 Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let the sea resound, and all that is in it. 12 Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them; let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

Psalm 95:4-5 - 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. 5 The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

Job 37:14-16 - 14 “Listen to this, Job; stop and consider God’s wonders. 15 Do you know how God controls the clouds and makes his lightning flash? 16 Do you know how the clouds hang poised, those wonders of him who has perfect knowledge?

Psalm 104:24-25

24 How many are your works, LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. 25 There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number— living things both large and small.