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“Never again will I doom the earth” (Genesis 8:21)



Each day, we wake up with the incredible privilege of walking in God’s magnificent creation. Yet, how often do we take this gift for granted? God’s love for us is evident in the countless creatures and wonders He has made for our enjoyment. Today’s readings remind us of how empty life would be without the beauty of nature. How often do we pause to immerse ourselves in God’s creation and experience His glory?

The story of Noah is one many of us know well. God commanded Noah to build an ark, after which the earth was flooded for forty days. When the waters receded, God established a covenant with Noah, promising never to send such a flood again. Through this story, we see how deeply God values creation. As stewards of His work, it is our responsibility to preserve it and appreciate its beauty.

In the Gospel, we hear the story of a blind man whom Jesus heals. This man rejoices at seeing the trees, the people, and the world around him—simple things we often overlook. God has meticulously crafted every plant, animal, rock, mineral, and human being with care and purpose. God didn’t create these things for Himself, but for us so we might use and delight in them.

Amidst the hustle and bustle of life, it is easy to lose sight of the beauty surrounding us. Personally, I find that spending time in nature—whether a walk or simply sitting outdoors—helps me feel closer to God. I encourage you to step outside, pause, and take in the beauty of the earth. Allow yourself to reconnect with God through His creation.

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