

# Helping Our Planet

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Genesis 1

Genesis 1:28 <sup>28</sup>God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”

**1. God gives humans the responsibility of being caretakers of his creation.**

Genesis 2:15 <sup>15</sup>The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

**2. We are invited to enjoy the creation and encounter God through it.**

**3. When we care for the earth, we show love for our neighbor.**

**4. The simplest way to care for the earth is to use less.**

Romans 8:19-21 <sup>19</sup>For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.

<sup>20</sup>For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup>that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.