Lessons on Earth Stewardship

LDS EARTH STEWARDSHIP

Jehovah is the Creator

Hymn: My Heavenly Father Loves Me, Children's Songbook, 228

Scriptures and Quotes:

John 1:3: "All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made."

Moses 3:5: "For I, the Lord God, created all things, of which I have spoken, spiritually, before they were naturally upon the face of the earth."

"*Our Father in Heaven has given us, His children, much more than any mortal mind can comprehend. Under His direction the Great Jehovah created this wondrous world we live in.*" - Elder Dieter F. Uchtdorf

"*Recognition of all life as sacred and eternal, having God as its author and owner, should evoke in us a deep reverence and humility in our approach to the earth and all upon it.*" - Alissa Garner Metge (from Conservation through Consecration)

Overview:

Explain that Jehovah is one of Jesus' names before He received a body and came to earth. He is the one the scriptures talk about separating the light from the darkness, dividing the waters and land, and creating everything on the earth. He gave us this earth and made it beautiful to bring us joy and bless our lives.

Being a good steward means taking care of what has been given to you. We show reverence to Heavenly Father and Jesus by respecting and caring for Their creations.

Activity Ideas

Name three things that Jehovah created that make you happy. Explain why those things bring you joy. What can you do to help take care of those things?

For older children: Explain that Jehovah's creation extends to worlds without number and to the tiniest cells in our body. Show them the [clip from the movie *Cosmic Voyage*](#) that illustrates the vastness and wonder of these creations.

Treat Ideas

Make crispy rice treats in two pans, using blue food coloring in the marshmallow mixture of one, and green food coloring in the marshmallow mixture of the other. Have each child shape their own Earth creating oceans and continents.

There are many recipes on the cereal box and [online](#).