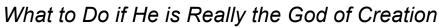
Text: Colossians 1:15b-17 Topic: Nature. Creation.

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Pant 2

The Infant from Bethlehem





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1. Show	Colossians 1:15b-17 15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all
	things were created by him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. (NIV)
2. Purposefully	

3. Never _____

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's message. It is also helpful to discuss your answers with others. This can take place with friends, your Read through the Bible in family, accountability partners, or ministry groups within the church.

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1.	Read Romans 1:	:25.	In what ways I	have yoι	ı witnessed	our	culture	falling	into		described	in that
	verse?									Sunday		

Hos.1-3 & Jms.1-2

Monday

Hos.4-6 & Jms.3-5

Tuesday

Hos.7-8 & 1Pet.1-2

In an attempt to avoid the sin of Romans 1:25, some Christians have erred by giving liftle attention, care, or respect to Christ's creation. In what ways have you underestimated the significance of the things Christ has made? things Christ has made?

Hos.12-14 & 1Pet.5

Friday

Joel & 2Pet.1-2

Saturday

Amos 1-3 & 2Pet.3

- 2. Describe the difference that might be seen in your life if you were to begin to interact with the created world in a way that reflects a renewed understanding that the planet you live on was designed, constructed and is presently sustained by Jesus Christ?
- 3. In what way are you motivated or inspired by hearing of great inventors and scientists from history that did their work for the glory of Christ?

How can you arrange, utilize, harness or employ some aspect of God's creation for the good and glory of Jesus? In other words, is there a way that cultivating a garden in the backyard, or using a workshop in the garage, or building a software program on the computer can be done in a way that will specifically bring glory to Christ?

What will you do this week to help direct some aspect of creation toward its intended purpose?

4. Knowing that the current creation is seriously flawed by sin (Rom.8:20-21), how does Christ's continued sovereignty and preeminence over his created universe help bring comfort and peace to the potential anxieties or fears of your life?