

## List of Creation Care Verses

1. All of Genesis 1 & 2

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1)

2. The LORD saw how great the wickedness of the human race had become on the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of the human heart was only evil all the time. The LORD regretted that he had made human beings on the earth, and his heart was deeply troubled. So the LORD said, “I will wipe from the face of the earth the human race I have created—and with them the animals, the birds and the creatures that move along the ground—for I regret that I have made them.” But Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD. (Genesis 6:6– 8)

3. “I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you and with every living creature that was with you—the birds, the livestock and all the wild animals, all those that came out of the ark with you—every living creature on earth. I establish my covenant with you: Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth.”  
And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you *and every living creature with you*, a covenant for all generations to come: I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the *covenant between me and the earth*.” (Genesis 9:9– 13)

4. So God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and *all life on the earth*.” (Genesis 9:17)

5. They should collect all the food of these good years that are coming and store up the grain under the authority of Pharaoh, to be kept in the cities for food. This food should be held in reserve for the country, to be used during the seven years of famine that will come upon Egypt, so that the country may not be ruined by the famine. (Genesis 41:35– 36)
6. “Moses replied, “When I have gone out of the city, I will spread out my hands in prayer to the LORD. The thunder will stop and there will be no more hail, *so you may know that the earth is the LORD’s.*” (Exodus 9:29)
7. “For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.” (Exodus 20:11 - within the Ten Commandments)
8. “Now when you reap the harvest of your land, you shall not reap to the very corners of your field, nor shall you gather the gleanings of your harvest. Nor shall you glean your vineyard, nor shall you gather the fallen fruit of your vineyard; you shall leave them for the needy and for the stranger. I am the LORD your God.” (Leviticus 19:9- 10)
9. “When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. Leave them for the poor and for the foreigner residing among you. I am the LORD your God.” (Leviticus 23:22)
10. “Anyone who takes the life of someone’s animal must make restitution—life for life. Anyone who injures their neighbor is to be injured in the same manner: fracture for fracture, eye for eye, tooth for tooth. The one who has inflicted the injury must suffer the

same injury. Whoever kills an animal must make restitution, but whoever kills a human being is to be put to death.” (Leviticus 24:18- 21)

11. “For six years sow your fields, and for six years prune your vineyards and gather their crops. But in the seventh year the land is to have a year of sabbath rest, a sabbath to the Lord. Do not sow your fields or prune your vineyards. Do not reap what grows of itself or harvest the grapes of your untended vines. The land is to have a year of rest.” (Leviticus 25:3- 5)

12. “Do not pollute the land where you are. Bloodshed pollutes the land, and atonement cannot be made for the land on which blood has been shed, except by the blood of the one who shed it.” (Numbers 35:33)

13. “Do not defile the land where you live and where I dwell, for I, the Lord, dwell among the Israelites.” (Numbers 35:33)

14. “To the LORD your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it.” (Deuteronomy 10:14)

15. “When you lay siege to a city for a long time, fighting against it to capture it, *do not destroy its trees by putting an ax to them*, because you can eat their fruit. Do not cut them down. Are the trees people, that you should besiege them?” (Deuteronomy 20:19)

16. If you see your fellow Israelite’s donkey or ox fallen on the road, do not ignore it. Help the owner get it to its feet. (Deuteronomy 22:4)

17. If you happen to come upon a bird's nest along the way, in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs, and the mother sitting on the young or on the eggs, you shall not take the mother with the young; you shall certainly let the mother go, but the young you may take for yourself, in order that it may be well with you and that you may prolong your days. (Deuteronomy 22:6-7)
  
18. Designate a place outside the camp where you can go to relieve yourself. As part of your equipment have something to dig with, and when you relieve yourself, dig a hole and cover up your excrement. (Deuteronomy 23:12–13)
  
19. "If you happen to come upon a bird's nest along the way, in any tree or on the ground, with young ones or eggs, and the mother sitting on the young or on the eggs, you shall not take the mother with the young; you shall certainly let the mother go, but the young you may take for yourself, in order that it may be well with you and that you may prolong your days." (Deuteronomy 22:6- 7)
  
20. "For the foundations of the earth are the LORD's; on them he has set the world." (1 Samuel 2:8)
  
21. "Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all." (1 Chronicles 29:11)
  
22. if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. (2 Chronicles 7:14)

23. "Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem at the Corner Gate, at the Valley Gate and at the angle of the wall, and he fortified them. He also built towers in the wilderness and dug many cisterns, because he had much livestock in the foothills and in the plain. He had people working his fields and vineyards in the hills and in the fertile lands, for *he loved the soil.*" (2 Chronicles 26:9– 10)

24. "You alone are the LORD. You made the heavens, even the highest heavens, and all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you." (Nehemiah 9:6)

25. "He provides rain for the earth; he sends water on the countryside." (Job 5:10)

26. His wisdom is profound, his power is vast. (Job 9:4)

27. "He moves mountains without their knowing it  
and overturns them in his anger.  
He shakes the earth from its place  
and makes its pillars tremble.  
He speaks to the sun and it does not shine;  
he seals off the light of the stars.  
He alone stretches out the heavens  
and treads on the waves of the sea.  
He is the Maker of the Bear and Orion,  
the Pleiades and the constellations of the south.  
He performs wonders that cannot be fathomed,

miracles that cannot be counted.” (Job 9:5- 10)

But ask the animals, and they will teach you,  
or the birds in the sky, and they will tell you;  
or speak to the earth, and it will teach you,  
or let the fish in the sea inform you. (Job 12:7-8)

28. “He spreads out the northern skies over empty space;  
he suspends the earth over nothing.  
He wraps up the waters in his clouds,  
yet the clouds do not burst under their weight.  
He covers the face of the full moon,  
spreading his clouds over it.  
He marks out the horizon on the face of the waters  
for a boundary between light and darkness.  
The pillars of the heavens quake,  
aghast at his rebuke.” (Job 26:7- 11)

29. “Do you know how God controls the clouds  
and makes his lightning flash?  
Do you know how the clouds hang poised,  
those wonders of him who has perfect knowledge?” (Job 37:15- 16)

30. Who cuts a channel for the torrents of rain,  
and a path for the thunderstorm,

to water a land where no one lives,  
an uninhabited desert,  
to satisfy a desolate wasteland  
and make it sprout with grass?  
Does the rain have a father?  
Who fathers the drops of dew?  
From whose womb comes the ice?  
Who gives birth to the frost from the heavens  
when the waters become hard as stone,  
when the surface of the deep is frozen? (Job 38:25-30)

31. "Blessed is the one  
who does not walk in step with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take  
or sit in the company of mockers,  
but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,  
and who meditates on his law day and night.  
That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,  
which yields its fruit in season  
and whose leaf does not wither—  
whatever they do prospers." (Psalm 1:1- 3)

32. "Lord, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory  
in the heavens.

Through the praise of children and infants  
you have established a stronghold against your enemies,  
to silence the foe and the avenger.  
When I consider your heavens,  
the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars,  
which you have set in place,  
what is mankind that you are mindful of them,  
human beings that you care for them?  
You have made them a little lower than the angels  
and crowned them with glory and honor.  
You made them rulers over the works of your hands;  
you put everything under their feet:  
all flocks and herds,  
and the animals of the wild,  
the birds in the sky,  
and the fish in the sea,  
all that swim the paths of the seas.  
Lord, our Lord,  
how majestic is your name in all the earth!" (Psalm 8:1- 9)

33. 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 reveal knowledge.



They have no speech, they use no words;  
no sound is heard from them.

Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,  
their words to the ends of the world. (Psalm 19:1– 4)

34. 'For, 'The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it.'" (Psalm 24:1 quoted in 1 Corinthians 10:26)

35. Your love, Lord, reaches to the heavens,  
your faithfulness to the skies.  
Your righteousness is like the highest mountains,  
your justice like the great deep.

You, Lord, preserve both people and animals. (Psalm 36:5-6)

36. "Deep calls to Deep in the roar of your waterfalls; all your waves and breakers have swept over me." (Psalm 42:7)

37. "Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea," (Psalm 46:2)

38. Be still and know that I am God (Psalm 46:10)

39. "for every animal of the forest is mine,  
and the cattle on a thousand hills.  
I know every bird in the mountains,  
and the insects in the fields are mine." (Psalm 50: 10 - 11)

40. "God our Savior,

the hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the farthest seas,  
who formed the mountains by your power,  
having armed yourself with strength,  
who stilled the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves,  
and the turmoil of the nations.

The whole earth is filled with awe at your wonders;  
where morning dawns, where evening fades,  
you call forth songs of joy.

You care for the land and water it;  
you enrich it abundantly.

The streams of God are filled with water  
to provide the people with grain,  
for so you have ordained it.

You drench its furrows and level its ridges;  
you soften it with showers and bless its crops.

You crown the year with your bounty,  
and your carts overflow with abundance.

The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;  
the hills are clothed with gladness.

The meadows are covered with flocks  
and the valleys are mantled with grain;  
they shout for joy and sing." (Psalm 65: 5– 13)

41. "It was you who opened up springs and streams;  
you dried up the ever-flowing rivers.  
The day is yours, and yours also the night;  
you established the sun and moon.  
It was you who set all the boundaries of the earth;  
you made both summer and winter." (Psalm 74:15- 17)
42. "He released the east wind in the heavens and guided the south wind by his mighty  
power" (Psalm 78:26)
43. Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.  
Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the wicked. (Psalm  
82:3-4)
44. "The heavens are yours, and yours also the earth; you founded the world and all that is  
in it." (Psalm 89:11)
45. "Sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing to the Lord, all the earth." (Psalm 96:1)
46. "The seas have lifted up, LORD, the seas have lifted up their voice;  
the seas have lifted up their pounding waves." (Psalm 93:4)
47. "Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;  
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.  
Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;

let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.

Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes" (Psalm 96:11- 13)

48. "Let the rivers clap their hands,  
let the mountains sing together for joy!" (Psalm 98:8)

49. "Worship the Lord with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs.  
Know that the Lord is God.  
It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
and his courts with praise;  
give thanks to him and praise his name.  
For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;  
his faithfulness continues through all generations." (Psalm 100:1- 5)

50. "In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth,  
and the heavens are the work of your hands."  
(Psalm 102:25; *quoted in* Hebrews 1:10)

51. "He makes springs pour water into the ravines;  
it flows between the mountains.  
They give water to all the beasts of the field;  
the wild donkeys quench their thirst.  
The birds of the sky nest by the waters;  
they sing among the branches.

He waters the mountains from his upper chambers;  
the earth is satisfied by the fruit of his work.” (Psalm 104:10– 13)

52. There the birds make their nests;  
the stork has its home in the junipers.  
The high mountains belong to the wild goats;  
the crags are a refuge for the hyrax.  
He made the moon to mark the seasons,  
and the sun knows when to go down.  
You bring darkness, it becomes night,  
and all the beasts of the forest prowl. (Psalm 104: 17- 20)

53. How many are your works, Lord!  
In wisdom you made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.  
There is the sea, vast and spacious,  
teeming with creatures beyond number—  
living things both large and small. (Psalm 104: 24- 25)

54. All creatures look to you  
to give them their food at the proper time. (Psalm 104:27)

55. “Tremble, O earth, before the Lord,  
Before the God of Jacob,  
Who turned the rock into a pool of water,  
The flint into a fountain of water.” (Psalm 114:7- 8)

56. "May you be blessed by the Lord,  
the Maker of heaven and earth." (Psalm 115:15)

57. Turn my heart toward your statutes  
and not toward selfish gain. (Psalm 119:36)

58. "Your faithfulness continues through all generations;  
you established the earth, and it endures." (Psalm 119:90)

59. I lift up my eyes to the mountains—  
where does my help come from?  
My help comes from the Lord,  
the Maker of heaven and earth. (Psalm 121:1 -2)

60. "The Lord does whatever pleases him,  
in the heavens and on the earth,  
in the seas and all their depths.  
He makes clouds rise from the ends of the earth;  
he sends lightning with the rain  
and brings out the wind from his storehouses." (Psalm 135:6- 7)

61. "Give thanks to the Lord of lords: *His love endures forever.*  
to him who alone does great wonders, *His love endures forever.*  
who by his understanding made the heavens, *His love endures forever.*  
who spread out the earth upon the waters, *His love endures forever.*

who made the great lights— *His love endures forever.*

the sun to govern the day, *His love endures forever.*

the moon and stars to govern the night; *His love endures forever.*” (Psalm 136:4- 9)

62. The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made. All your works praise you, Lord; (Psalm 145:9- 10)

63. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever. (Psalm 145:21)

64. He determines the number of the stars  
and calls them each by name. (Psalm 147:4)

65. He covers the sky with clouds;  
he supplies the earth with rain  
and makes grass grow on the hills.  
He provides food for the cattle  
and for the young ravens when they call. (Psalm 147:8– 9)

66. Praise him, sun and moon;  
praise him, all you shining stars.  
Praise him, you highest heavens  
and you waters above the skies.

Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for at his command they were created. (Psalm 148:3– 5)

67. Praise the Lord from the earth,  
you great sea creatures and all ocean depths,  
lightning and hail, snow and clouds,  
stormy winds that do his bidding,

you mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars,  
wild animals and all cattle,  
small creatures and flying birds,  
kings of the earth and all nations, (Psalm 148:7-11)

68. "Let everything that has breath praise the Lord." (Psalm 150:6)

69. "By wisdom the Lord founded the earth; by understanding he created the heavens."  
(Proverbs 3:19)

70. The righteous care for the needs of their animals,  
but the kindest acts of the wicked are cruel. (Proverbs 12:10)

71. Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the  
needy honors God. (Proverbs 14:31)

72. Whoever shuts their ears to the cry of the poor will also cry out and not be answered.  
(Proverbs 21:13)

73. "Like a muddied spring or a polluted well  
are the righteous who give way to the wicked." (Proverbs 25:26)

74. Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are  
destitute. Speak up and judge fairly; defend the rights of the poor and needy.  
(Proverbs 31:8-9)



75. *"A Time for Everything*

There is a time for everything,  
and a season for every activity under the heavens:  
a time to be born and a time to die,  
a time to plant and a time to uproot,  
a time to kill and a time to heal,  
a time to tear down and a time to build,  
a time to weep and a time to laugh,  
a time to mourn and a time to dance,  
a time to scatter stones and a time to gather them,  
a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing,  
a time to search and a time to give up,  
a time to keep and a time to throw away,  
a time to tear and a time to mend,  
a time to be silent and a time to speak,  
a time to love and a time to hate,  
a time for war and a time for peace." (Ecclesiastes 3:1- 8)

76. Light is sweet, and it pleases the eyes to see the sun. (Ecclesiastes 11:7)

77. "The wilderness and the desert will be glad,

And the Arabah will rejoice and blossom;

Like the crocus

It will blossom profusely

And rejoice with rejoicing and shout of joy.

The glory of Lebanon will be given to it,

The majesty of Carmel and Sharon.

They will see the glory of the LORD,

The majesty of our God.” (Isaiah 35:1- 2)

78. “Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand,  
or with the breadth of his hand marked off the heavens?  
Who has held the dust of the earth in a basket,  
or weighed the mountains on the scales  
and the hills in a balance?” (Isaiah 40:12)

79. Lift up your eyes and look to the heavens: Who created all these? He who brings out the  
starry host one by one and calls forth each of them by name. Because of his great power  
and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.” (Isaiah 40:26)

80. “Do you not know?  
Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He will not grow tired or weary,  
and his understanding no one can fathom.” (Isaiah 40:28)

81. “This is what God the LORD says—

the Creator of the heavens, who stretches them out,  
who spreads out the earth with all that springs from it,  
who gives breath to its people,  
and life to those who walk on it.” (Isaiah 42:5)

82. “Sing to the LORD a new song,

Sing His praise from the end of the earth!

You who go down to the sea, and all that is in it.

You islands, and those who dwell on them.

Let the wilderness and its cities lift up their voices,” (Isaiah 42:10- 11)

83. “The wild animals honor me,

the jackals and the owls,

because I provide water in the wilderness

and streams in the wasteland,

to give drink to my people, my chosen,

the people I formed for myself

that they may proclaim my praise.” (Isaiah 43:20– 21)

84. “Sing for joy, you heavens, for the LORD, has done this;

shout aloud, you earth beneath.

Burst into song, you mountains, you forests and all your trees,

for the LORD has redeemed Jacob, he displays his glory in Israel.” (Isaiah

44:23)

85. "This is what the LORD says—  
your Redeemer, who formed you in the womb:  
"I am the LORD,  
the Maker of all things,  
who stretches out the heavens,  
who spreads out the earth by myself." (Isaiah 44:24)

86. "It is I who made the earth  
and created mankind on it.  
My own hands stretched out the heavens;  
I marshaled their starry hosts." (Isaiah 45:12)

87. "My own hand laid the foundations of the earth,  
and my right hand spread out the heavens;  
when I summon them,  
they all stand up together." (Isaiah 48:13)

88. "For I am the Lord your God,  
who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar—  
the Lord Almighty is his name." (Isaiah 51:15)

89. The rain and the snow  
come down from heaven,  
and do not return to it  
without watering the earth

and making it bud and flourish,  
so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater. (Isaiah 55:10)  
“You will go out in joy  
and be led forth in peace;  
mountains and hills  
will burst into song before you,  
and all the trees of the field  
will clap their hands.” (Isaiah 55:12)

90. But be glad and rejoice forever  
in what I will create (Isaiah 65:18)

91. But God made the earth by his power;  
he founded the world by his wisdom  
and stretched out the heavens by his understanding.  
When he thunders, the waters in the heavens roar;  
he makes clouds rise from the ends of the earth.  
He sends lightning with the rain  
and brings out the wind from his storehouses. (Jeremiah 10: 12- 13)

92. “[The one who trusts in the LORD] will be like a tree planted by the water  
that sends out its roots by the stream.  
It does not fear when heat comes;  
its leaves are always green.  
It has no worries in a year of drought  
and never fails to bear fruit.” (Jeremiah 17:8)

93. "With my great power and outstretched arm I made the earth and its people and the animals that are on it, and I give it to anyone I please." (Jeremiah 27:5)
94. "Ah, Sovereign Lord, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you." (Jeremiah 32:17)
95. "This is what the Lord says, he who made the earth, the Lord who formed it and established it—the Lord is his name" (Jeremiah 33:2)
96. "He who forms the mountains,  
who creates the wind,  
and who reveals his thoughts to mankind,  
who turns dawn to darkness,  
and treads on the heights of the earth—  
the Lord God Almighty is his name." (Amos 4:13)
97. "Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these." (Matthew 6:26- 29)
98. "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!" (Matthew 8:27)

99. “Not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it” (Matthew 10:29)

100. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?  
(Matthew 16:26)

101. Jesus replied: “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.” (Matthew 22:37- 39)

102. Who then is the faithful and wise servant, whom the master has put in charge of the servants in his household to give them their food at the proper time? It will be good for that servant whose master finds him doing so when he returns.  
(Matthew 24:45– 46)

103. Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. (Matthew 25:40)

104. “Then Jesus came to them and said, “*All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.* Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey all that I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”  
(Matthew 28:18- 20 - The Great Commission)

105. "Leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, just as he was, in the boat. There were also other boats with him. A furious squall came up, and the waves broke over the boat, so that it was nearly swamped. Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

They were terrified and asked each other, "*Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!*" (Mark 4:37- 41)

106. "He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" (Luke 10:27)

107. Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. (Luke 12:6)

108. Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." (Luke 12:15)

109. "Consider how the wild flowers grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these." (Luke 12:27)



110. "I tell you," [Jesus] replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." (Luke 19:40)
111. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." (John 1:1- 5)
112. When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." (John 6:12)
113. Jesus knew that the Father had put all things under his power, and that he had come from God and was returning to God; so he got up from the meal, took off his outer clothing, and wrapped a towel around his waist. After that, he poured water into a basin and began to wash his disciples' feet, drying them with the towel that was wrapped around him. (John 13:3-5)
114. "A new commandment I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so also you must love one another." (John 13:34)
115. "When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them." (Acts 4:24)

116. "Friends, why are you doing this? We too are only human, like you. We are bringing you good news, telling you to turn from these worthless things to the living God, who made the heavens and the earth and the sea and everything in them." (Acts 14:15)
117. In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35)
118. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, *being understood from what has been made*, so that people are without excuse. (Romans 1:20)
119. "I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that <sup>h</sup> the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies." (Romans 8:18- 23)
120. "Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." (Romans 12: 9- 10)

121. Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.  
(Romans 13:10)
122. This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the mysteries God has revealed. Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful. (1 Corinthians 4:1– 2)
123. “For us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live.” (1 Corinthians 8:6)
124. “I have the right to do anything,” you say—but not everything is beneficial. “I have the right to do anything”—but not everything is constructive. No one should seek their own good, but the good of others.” (1 Corinthians 10:23- 24)
125. ‘For, ‘The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it.’” (Psalm 24:1 quoted in 1 Corinthians 10:26)
126. “The sun has one kind of splendor, the moon another and the stars another; and star differs from star in splendor.” (1 Corinthians 15:41)
127. “Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” (1 Corinthians 15:58)
128. “Let all you do be done in love” (1 Corinthians 16:14)

129. With all wisdom and understanding, he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ. (Ephesians 1:8- 10)
130. “Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us.” (Ephesians 5:1- 2)
131. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. Philippians 2:4
132. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God (Philippians 4:6)
133. Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable--if anything is excellent or praiseworthy--think about such things. (Philippians 4:8-9)
134. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created by him and *for* him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. (Colossians 1:16– 17)

135. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. (Colossians 1:19- 20)
136. Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters. (Colossians 3:23)
137. “For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.” (1 Timothy 4:4- 5)
138. But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. (1 Timothy 6:6- 8)
139. “but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe.” (Hebrews 1:2)
140. “In the beginning you laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands.”  
(Psalm 102:25; *quoted in* Hebrews 1:10)
141. “Nothing in all creation is hidden from God’s sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.” (Hebrews 4:13)

142. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds,  
(Hebrews 10:24)
143. “By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God’s command, so that  
what is seen was not made out of what was visible.” (Hebrews 11:3)
144. “Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the  
heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.” (James 1:17)
145. “Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.” (1  
Peter 4:8)
146. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful  
stewards of God's grace in its various forms. (1 Peter 4:10)
147. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the  
pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. (1 John 2:16)
148. We love because he first loved us. (1 John 4:19)
149. “Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves  
has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God,  
because God is love. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one  
another... No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his  
love is made complete in us.” (1 John 7- 8, 11- 12)
150. “We love because he first loved us”. (1 John 4:19)

151. "You are worthy, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory and honor and power,  
for you created all things,  
and by your will they were created  
and have their being." (Revelation 4:11)

152. Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the  
sea, and all that is in them, saying:  
"To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and  
power, for ever and ever!" (Revelation 5:13)

153. "Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of  
the servants of our God." (Revelation 7:3)

154. "The nations were angry,  
and your wrath has come.  
The time has come for judging the dead,  
and for rewarding your servants the prophets  
and your people who revere your name,  
both great and small—  
and for destroying those who destroy the earth." (Revelation 11:18)

155. Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth  
had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the Holy City, the new

Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' <sup>b</sup> or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away." He who was seated on the throne said, "I am making everything new!" (Revelation 21:1-5)