

Family Ministries Playlist

To go to A Reader's Theatre based on Psalm 104:14-23 go [here](#).

Watch a video of our focus reading this week by clicking [here](#).



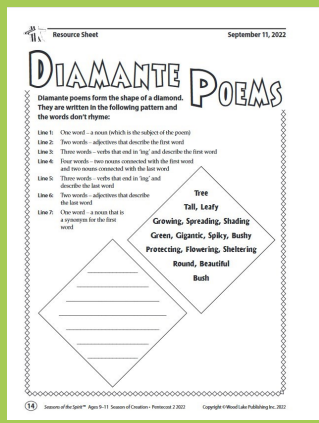
Our focus scripture this week is Psalm 104:14-23. All of Psalm 104 is an unbridled and unconditional hymn of praise to Creator God. In these verses we see God's delight in Creation. Each element of Earth is blessed by God and blesses another part of Creation. We see the poet's vision of God as a thoughtful provider, and Creation as living symbiotically. Grass is grown for cattle. Grapes ripen for the wine to gladden human hearts. Water flows abundantly for the trees, which offer their branches for the birds to nest. Mountains and rocks give refuge to goats and small animals. For the psalmist, trees are not cut down and used for lumber, and mountains are not climbed and conquered, but both are images of hospitality, made in the image of a divine host.

The psalm presents a picture of God sheltering Creation and tending to each creature's unique needs and gifts. Yet this is not a utopia of eternal life. There are predators and prey. Just as the sun has a time for setting, lions must seek "their food." Human labour is bound to the daytime while the night belongs to nocturnal hunters. There is enough food, space and time for everything, and we praise God for that!

[The Creation Song](#)



To write your own poem and find instructions you can click [here](#):



To watch The Creation Story, click [here](#).

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