

Helpful Tips to make the most of this study:

1. Read the assigned chapters before each class.
2. Be prepared to discuss and share from your life (struggles, God's grace, what you've applied since the last class). We grow in community, so let's respect each other's perspectives and differences of opinion.
3. Commit to being present at each class.
4. Apply the truths and find accountability.

Remaining Schedule

Week 5: April 30 | Social Media (Chapters 9-10)

Review

"All the beauty to be found throughout the whole creation, is but the reflection of the diffused beams of the Being who hath an infinite fullness of brightness and glory." Jonathan Edwards page 132

How are beauty and Sabbath related? Why are things like rest, stillness, space, and quietness important for living a wise life? (Pgs. 139-140)

"Work from rest, not "Rest from work." Pete Scazzero

Nature Principle - God reveals Himself to us through nature and His wisdom is clearly seen throughout all creation.

Nature can be stubborn - what does Brett McCracken mean by that?

Why does he call it "God's beautiful and terrifying creation"?

Why look to nature for wisdom? Genesis 1

How has the "handiwork" of God's creation helped you better understand the artist Creator?

Nature as "The Second Book" "...everything in it points to the Builder."

Natural revelation as a prolegomenon to saving knowledge.

What Creation Speaks about God

"The easiness and naturalness of trees and vines are shadows of His **beauty** and **loveliness**. The crystal rivers and murmuring streams are footsteps of His **favor**, **grace**, and **beauty**. When we behold the light and brightness of the sun, the golden edges of an evening cloud, or the

beauteous rainbow, we behold the adumbrations of **His glory** and **goodness**; and in the blue sky of His **mildness** and **gentleness**."

What are some of the corrupting results of sin on nature?

The Sanity of Nature in an Insane World

How are screens etc. affecting us as it regards nature?

Humans are part of Nature

What is the folly of loving nature too much?

The Wisdom of the Body

Why are so many Christians skeptical of science?

Why, and how, have science and faith been pitted against one another?

Complementarianism in nature

The Folly of Denying and Destroying Creation

Recommended Resource(s)

Proverbs. Psalm 8, 18, 24, 74, 95, 96, 104, 119, 139 etc.