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## — PREFACE —

A true study of science is nothing less than an investigation of God's handiwork. The book that follows will help young students to be better equipped to explore the wonders of God's creation.

As young people study the world God made, they will discover many wonderful facts about their Creator. They will learn that their Maker is all-powerful, wise, caring, and a lover of beauty. In other words, the works of God will teach students a great deal about the nature of the great Lord of creation.

Although it is important to learn the facts of science, it is even more vital to know why God made all things. The Lord made all things for His glory. As a result, the only proper response to a study of God's creation is worship and praise. May the Creator grant each reader the desire to study the wonders of science to the glory of God.

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—Chapter 3—

# GOD MADE SEASONS

Then God said, “Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years.”

— *GENESIS 1:14* —

# God Made Four Seasons

The Bible teaches us that God made days by giving us a time of light and darkness. God also made seasons so each year would have four parts. Each **season** of the year has about 90 days, or three months. The seasons in the Northern Hemisphere are opposite in the Southern Hemisphere. At the equator the seasons do not change at all!

There are the four seasons in most of the world. Try to learn their names:

Northern Hemisphere				Southern Hemisphere
Winter	January	February	March	Summer
Spring	April	May	June	Fall
Summer	July	August	September	Winter
Fall	October	November	December	Spring

# God's Special Plan for Each Season

## WINTER



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## SPRING

## SUMMER



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## FALL

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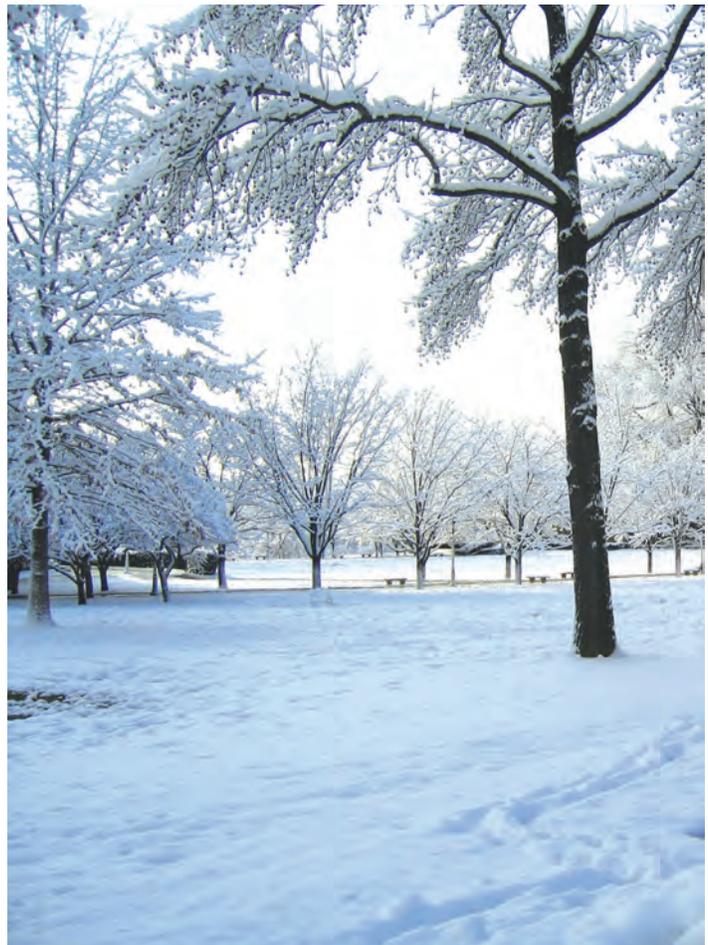
GENESIS 1:14

# The Earth Rests During the Winter

## WINTER

Winter is a time for God's creation to rest and repair.

The days of winter are colder than the other seasons. Plants rest or grow very slowly during the winter. The sun does not shine as strongly during wintertime. The trees, grass, and other plants rest and wait for spring to come.



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He gives snow like wool;  
He scatters the frost like ashes.

*PSALM 147:16*

# The Earth Comes Alive in Spring

## SPRING



Spring is a time when living things can shine.

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In springtime the earth comes alive. The days begin to get warmer and longer. Spring comes after the cold winter season. God often sends rain to help His creation come alive in springtime.

In spring, the grass begins to grow. Farmers plant their seeds. People watch pretty flowers begin to bloom. God gives new life to His creation.

# Summer Gives Brightness and Warmth

## SUMMER

The sun shines long and hard during the summer.

Summer is filled with hot, sunny days. People like to work and play outdoors during the summertime. Plants grow fast in the summer months. Living things need sunshine and water to grow well.



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While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer, and day and night shall not cease.

GENESIS 8:22

# Fall Days are Shorter and Cooler



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Fall is a time  
to gather treasures  
from God's creation.

**T**he fall season is a busy time. Food needs to be picked from the fields before the cold wintertime begins. Leaves need to be raked before the snow comes.

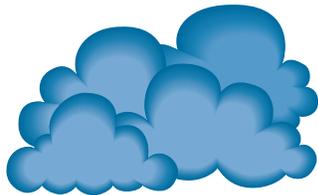
As fall settles in, the earth begins to grow colder and darker. The sun does not shine as strongly as it did during the summertime.



## SOMETHING YOU CAN DO

Ask your teacher to help you keep a **weather** chart. This chart will teach you how the weather changes each day of a month. Write the correct number for each day in the month on the **calendar** that follows. Begin watching the weather on the first day of the month.

Look at the sky each morning. Is the weather sunny, cloudy, rainy, or snowy? Ask your teacher to help you understand each weather picture below. After you look at the sky, draw on the chart the picture that best shows the weather.



After you have finished your chart, tell your teacher which season of the year this month was in. How many days were sunny? cloudy? rainy? snowy? How does watching the weather help you know what clothes to wear? what you can do outside?

### **Words to Know**

**firmament**—the sky or heaven above the earth

**season**—one of the four parts of a year; spring, summer, fall, or winter; each season is about 90 days, or three months

**year**—the passing of twelve months, or the four seasons

**weather**—what it is like outside; sunny, cloudy, rainy, or snowy

**calendar**—a chart that shows the days, weeks, and months of a year

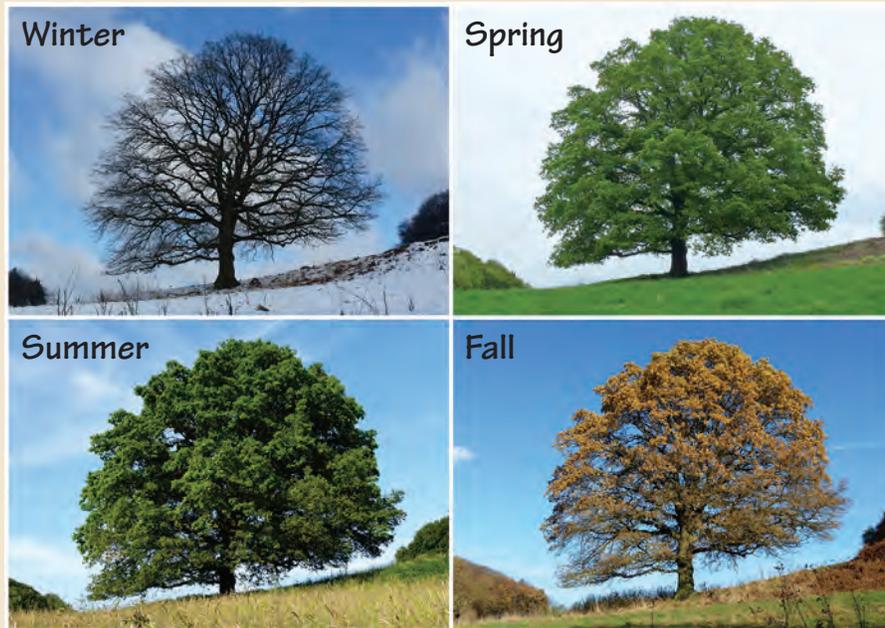


Weather Chart for the Month of:

*GOD MADE SEASONS*

SAT				
FRI				
THUR				
WED				
TUES				
MON				
SUN				

# Looking Back



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## Circle true or false:

- |   |      |       |
|---|------|-------|
| 1. God gave us four seasons.                            | true | false |
| 2. Each season lasts the whole year.                    | true | false |
| 3. Our seasons are winter, spring, summer, and fall.    | true | false |
| 4. The spring season is very hot and dry.               | true | false |
| 5. It is very dark for most of the summer.              | true | false |
| 6. Fall is the time for gathering food from the fields. | true | false |
| 7. Winter is filled with hot, sunny days.               | true | false |
| 8. Most plants rest during the winter season.           | true | false |