

Let God Be God  
The God of Nature  
Job 38-39

When it comes to nature, we don't really invent as much as we discover and harness. For instance, we didn't create electricity. We discovered it and learned how to harness it to be used for our benefit. We didn't create seeds, but we learned to cultivate that which was already created in order to grow crops. Since God planted the first garden, we can't even say we created agriculture. We just learned what God had already established.

God's wisdom is displayed in the created universe.

1. God establishes and orders earth and sea.
2. God establishes and orders light and life.
3. God establishes and orders the night sky.
4. God establishes and orders the animal kingdom.

Sometimes our troubles bring us to a place where we are silent before God. We stop complaining, but that is not all that God wants to accomplish in our lives. He doesn't want our silence; He wants our trust and our love. God wants us to place our lives in His hands and believe that He does all things well. He wants us to know that He has our eternal interests in mind when He acts lovingly towards us, as He did through the work of Christ and His cross.

#### Reflection

Take some time to survey the Psalms and write down the numbers of the Psalms that contain a reference to the majesty of God that is reflected in creation. Then, write down the Psalms that contain a reference to the work of God among His people for His redemptive purposes. Take some time to step outside and look around and thank God for specific things that you see that reflect His goodness towards you. Identify the things that stir your affections for God and praise Him for those things.