

“A Three Days’ Work”

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A man can make but a few things in three days, even when he works hard and has plenty of material out of which to make them. But did you ever stop to think of a great number of wonderful and beautiful things that God made in only three days? And the greatest wonder of all is that He made them by His word!

On the first day, you remember, God made the heavens and earth and light. On the second day He made the firmament, that is, the air, and sky, and clouds. On the third day He gathered the waters together into seas, caused dry land to appear, and all kinds of grass, herbs, and trees to grow. He just said, Let these things be; and they were! There are so many stones and grains of sand in the earth, so many trees, plants, and flowers on the earth, and so many clouds above the earth, that no one but God can count them. But in all these things that God made, He made no mistakes. He looked at them and behold they all were good. Just think, God made things by His word; He made so many in only three days that no man can count them; and He did not make a single mistake! How much more wise and powerful than any man. And He it is who is our heavenly Father, who loves us and cares for us, and gives us everything that we have; who loves and cares for the smallest thing that He has made. Surely we need not be afraid to trust such a Father.

1. What are carpenters?
2. Did you ever watch them at their work?
3. How many things can a man make in three days?
4. How many things did God make in only three days?—So many that no man can count them.
5. Out of what did He make them?
6. Can we make things thus?
7. And did you ever see a man who never made mistakes?
8. Did God make any mistakes in His work?
9. Which, then, is wiser and more powerful, God, or man?
10. What does He do for the smallest thing that He has made?—Loves and cares for it.
11. What does the Bible call Him? “Our heavenly Father.”
12. Do you think that we need to be afraid to trust such a Father?
13. What did God make upon the first day? Gen. 1:1-5.

14. Which part of the day comes first, the dark part, or the light part? Gen. 1:5, last part.
15. Which do you like better, light or darkness?
16. How may our path always be as pleasant as the shining light?—Prov. 4:18; John 8:12.
17. With what was the earth at first covered?
18. What did God say on the second day?—"Let there be a space, or firmament between the waters." Gen. 1:6.
19. And what happened?—Part of the waters rose right up from the other waters and were bound up in clouds, and the air was made in which they float. Gen. 1:7.
20. Can you see the air?
21. And how do you know that there is air?
22. How may we know that God is?
23. What did God do on the third day? Gen. 1:9-13.
24. What would happen to us if the water were taken away?
25. But can it cause us to live for ever?
26. Of what fountain must we drink if we would have eternal life? John 7:37; 4:14.
27. Is there enough for all?—"Whosoever will." Rev. 22:17.
28. What would we do without the riches of the dry land?
29. What does God say about our loving them? Col. 3:2. Why?
30. Where does He tell us to lay up our treasures? Matt. 6:20. Why?
31. Is God pleased when we do not notice or think about the things that He has made? Ps. 111:4. Why not?
32. Name some other things through which He wishes to teach us useful lessons.