



## Wondering at Creation A Five-Minute Devotion

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### **SESSION DESCRIPTION**

Given the scientifically-oriented culture within which we live and engage in God's mission, we have an obligation to help our young people understand that what science teaches us about the universe is not only comprehensible within the context of faith, but can also nurture a healthy and faithful wonder at what it means to be part of, and stewards of, God's creation. Wonder at creation, and specifically at the universe, can help us integrate our faith with the world in which we live.

### **BIBLICAL FOCUS**

Psalm 8:3-5

### **MATERIALS NEEDED**

Bible

### **DEVOTION PLAN**

Look at this "zoom-able" scale universe: <http://scaleofuniverse.com>

How much of the possible range can you move, either in or out, before you begin to feel overwhelmed by the scale and complexity of the world? How far can you go before you start to see things that make you wonder, "What is that?"

### **Questions for Discussion:**

1) What part of creation most fills you with wonder? Is that the same as a sense of God's presence?

### **Closing Prayer:**

"Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise him in the heights above. Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his heavenly hosts. Praise him, sun and moon; praise him, all you shining stars. Praise him, you highest heavens and you waters above the skies." (Psalm 148:1-4 )



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