



## **DAY 1: God Made Everything!**

God made all of creation and He wants us to take care of all that creation. Pope Francis, who is the head of the entire Catholic Church wrote a special letter called an *ENCYCLICAL* titled *On Care for Our Common Home*. In his letter, he tells us he wants everyone to take care of creation and share with others who don't have enough. All people, animals, and plants share the earth, that's the home we share, and we need to take care of it!

### **What Does the Bible Call Us to Do?**

Scripture tells us how God wants us to care for creation. Today, read *The Creation Story*, Genesis ch. 1 and Genesis ch. 2:1-3. What did God make in the six days of creation? What did He do on the seventh day? **EVERYTHING** we have come from something God made! Look around the house and see if you can identify object's origin of creation. An example is a desk or a table. They are made of wood and wood comes from trees; God made the beautiful trees!

### **Creation Care "R"**

Each day, a new Creation Care "R" will be introduced. This is a caretaker action that begins with the letter "R".

Today, the word is **RESPECT!** Respect means feeling and believing that something is important, and acting that way. Creation Caretakers respect everything in nature and all people because God made everything.

### **HOME CHALLENGE: Play Outside!**

We can challenge ourselves to be better Creation Caretakers if we practice at home.

Today your challenge is to play outside, but when you do, notice all the beautiful creation around you, the plants, the trees, the clouds in the sky, even the grass and the dirt underneath. Say a little prayer thanking God for creating this beautiful world!