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**This Topic learning outcomes are to know and understand:**

\* Caring for the earth

\*The Church is called to stewardship of Creation

**Scripture: Genesis 1:26**

Then God said: “And now we will make human beings; they will be like us and resemble us.

They will have power over the fish, the birds, and all animals, domestic and wild, large and small.”

Stewardship

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REFLECTION

Creator God, in your hands you hold the depths of the earth and the heights of the mountains, for all creation belongs to you. Grant us grace to cherish your world and wisdom to nurture its resources. Save us from the desire to control what is not ours and the impulse to possess what is not ours and the impulse to possess what is there to share.

Amen.

Discipleship

**OUR BIG QUESTION**

What is good news?

**KEY VOCABULARY**

sustainable stewards sustainable climate

preserve ecology harmony justice

**Key Questions**

What do I really care about?

How can I show concern for what I care for?

How can I be a steward of creation?

How can we be stewards?

Christians believe that every human being is created in the image of God and has the special gift and challenge of sharing in God’s creation. We ourselves are part of creation and are dependent upon it. The seventh commandment enjoins respect for the integrity of creation. Animals like plants and inanimate beings, are by nature destined for the common good of past, present and future humanity.