

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer

The word “trinity” is not mentioned in the Bible, yet we see it everywhere. In the very first verse of the Bible we read, “In the beginning God . . .” In verse 2 we read that “the Spirit of God” moved upon the face of the waters. In verse 26 God the Father makes clear that He did not act alone at creation when He said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.”

Where was Jesus? He was there, too. John 1:1 tells us, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” Verse 14 explains that “the Word” was Jesus: “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.” Verse 3 confirms His presence at creation: “All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.”

Throughout the Old Testament the Israelites interacted mostly with God the Father through the ministry of priests and prophets. Then, “when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son” (Galatians 4:4), and everything changed.

No longer are priests needed to intercede for the people; we can pray to God the Father through Jesus: “We have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God . . . Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need” (Hebrews 4:14, 16).

In John 13–17 we see Jesus preparing His disciples for His death and resurrection as He celebrates the Passover with them. In retrospect, His message is clear to us, but His disciples were baffled as He explained, “I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter . . . even the Spirit of truth . . . he shall testify of me” (John 14:16; 15:26).

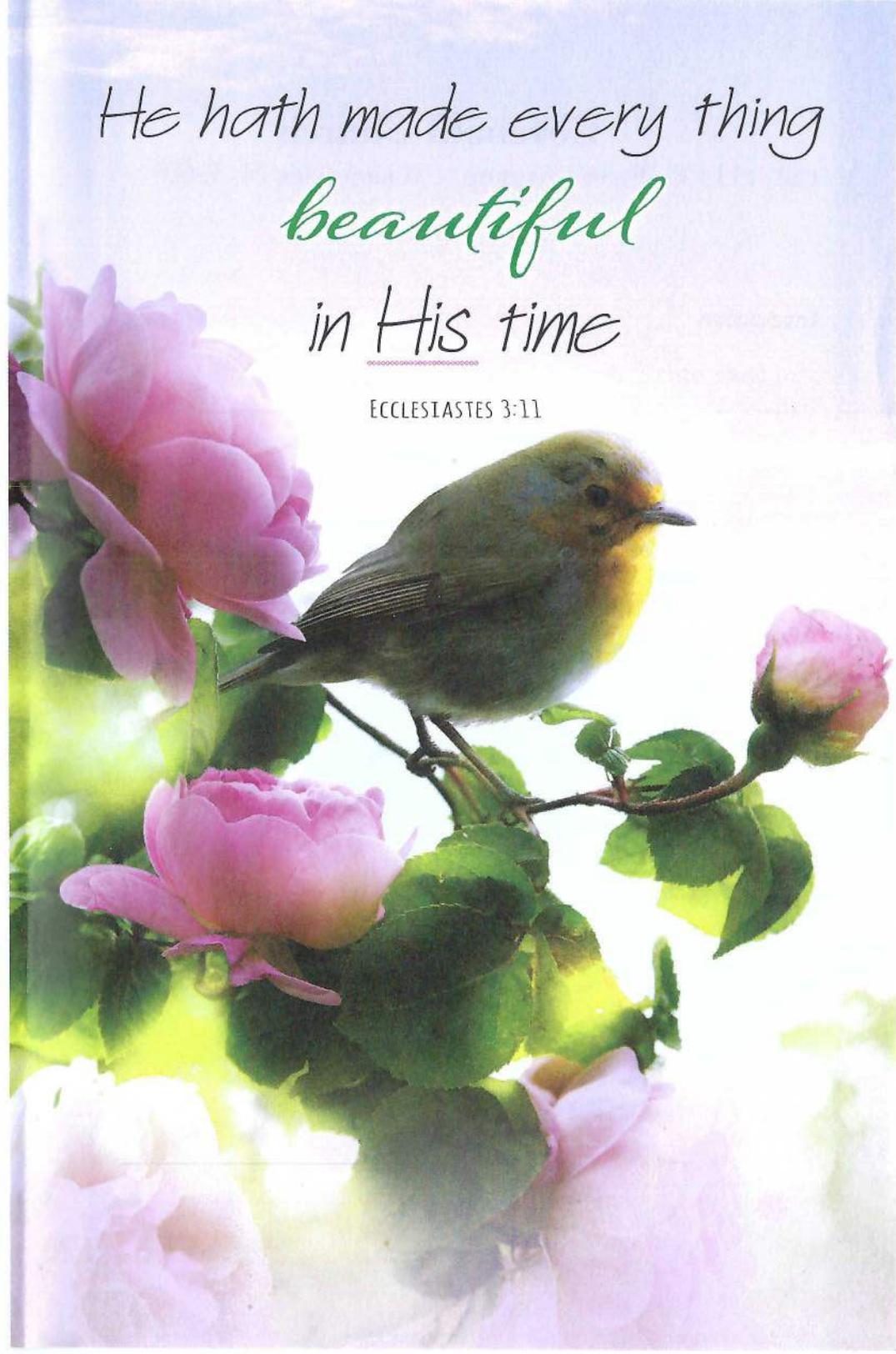
What a blessing to know that God created us, redeemed us through the death of His Son and sustains us through the presence of His Holy Spirit!

K.E. Horsley

He hath made every thing
beautiful
in His time

ECCLESIASTES 3:11

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Invocation

Don Mauldin

Sing Unto the Lord

Hymn #368 He Lives

Welcome and Announcements

Ron Marks

Recognition of Guests

Mission Moment

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Greeting Time

Worship in Song

Hymn #323 At the Cross

Offertory Prayer

Craig Alexander

Offertory

Rose Morgan

Special Music

Sounds of Hope

Sermon: "Seeing is Believing"

Pastor Don Mauldin

Scripture: *Luke 24*

Hymn of Benediction

Hymn #368 He Lives Chorus

Pastor Don Mauldin

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Covenant News

Covenant Ministries

Our ministry for April is King's Ministry in Africa.

Closer to home, we will also be collecting supplies for Newberry High School. They are running low and need their closet replenished. Please keep in mind that May is the last month of school and extras will probably be needed to send home with them over the summer.

A Talk With God

Though my path is often weary, and a toilsome road I plod,
All my burdens seem much lighter when I've had a talk with God.

I can cast on Him my sorrow, I can take to Him my fear,
I can tell Him every hearache, I can feel His presence near.

And not only do I love Him, Greater wonder He loves me;
And His love shall have no ending, Now, or through eternity.

Oh, why do I so doubt Him when His love to me is true;
He's promised to go with me all this earthly journey through?

I could not go on without Him, He is all my hope and stay;
And beneath His mighty shadow peace attends me on my way.

If your life's a fiell of rubble and your days just seem to plod;
I can tell you what's your trouble;
Friend, you need a talk with God.