



What lesson has God used His creation to teach you recently ?

I find that God often uses His creation to teach us spiritual truths. I got one of those lessons not long ago when I was mowing lawn. We had been without rain for a couple of weeks, but most of the grass in the back yard was still growing nicely, healthy, green and thick and definitely in need of cutting.

I was mowing along when all of a sudden I came upon this rather large round spot where the grass was getting brown, dry and definitely not as healthy as everything else around it. My first thought was "Aliens have landed in my backyard." (You've seen those pictures of round, bare spots in fields where people claim alien space ships have supposedly landed...)

Anyway, that humorous thought lasted only a second or two until I looked up and saw the trampoline nearby. Then I remembered that round spot is where the trampoline had been sitting a few weeks back. The grass under the trampoline had been shielded from the sun for quite awhile until I moved it. The grass in that circle was alive but it sure wasn't doing well. It wasn't growing and it wasn't healthy. All because it hadn't been getting enough sun.

It dawned on me that the same kind of thing happens to *us* when we are shielded from the *Son* - *Son* - for an extended period. Life is like that round patch of grass in my yard - kind of dry, not full and just plain not doing too well. We're alive but not healthy and not growing - something's missing. (The Son). But when we get the Son back in our lives, He revives us and we start to grow and become healthy again.

Next time you find yourself being shielded from the sun in the *s*, let that be a reminder to ask yourself if you are being shielded from God's Son. Are you letting Him shine into your life by praying, reading His Word, coming to worship, hanging out with Christian friends? Or are you being shielded from Him?

Here's your assignment: Come up with your own "Lessons the Creator teaches through His creation." You can write them out and give them to me or, better yet, email them to me at pastor@livingwordlutheran.net. God has lots of lessons for us. Let's share them with each other.

Thanks for asking,
Pastor David

Send your questions to pastor@livingwordlutheran.net