1. Created by God—the Scriptures boldly and consistently declare we were created by God.
   a) Genesis 1:1, 26–27
   b) Psalm 33:8–9
   c) John 1:1–3
   d) Colossians 1:16–17
   e) Share other inspired testimonies in the Scriptures regarding our Creator and His creative work.
   f) How is your life impacted by this revelation—we are not here as the result of a cosmic accident?
   g) What can we learn about the character of our Creator by studying the natural world?
   h) What questions are left unanswered as we examine the natural world?

2. Stewards of a perfect creation
   a) Genesis 1:28, 2:15 What responsibilities were given to our first parents in this perfect environment?
   b) Genesis 1:31–2:3 How does the gift of the Sabbath remind us of our responsibilities as stewards of God’s creative work?

3. A damaged creation
   a) While there are still glimpses of beauty and goodness on planet earth, it is no longer “very good.” What happened? Summarize Genesis 3:1–13
   b) Why did our Creator provide a test of loyalty in the perfect environment of Eden? Genesis 2:16–17 (see also Revelation 12:7–9)
   c) How did the environment on earth change after the entrance of sin? Genesis 3:16–19, 4:8, 6:5–6
   d) What inspired testimonies in the Scriptures give us hope that our damaged environment and damaged lives will eventually be healed and restored? (e.g. John 3:16, Romans 6:23, Revelation 21:1–5)

4. Stewards of creation in a damaged world
   a) Psalm 24:1 What profound truth is expressed by the Psalmist David as he begins this Scripture song?
   b) Proverbs 22:2 How does this wise saying of Solomon reinforce his father’s inspired testimony?
   c) Matthew 25:31–40 According to Jesus, what is the connection between our relationship with God and our care for His creation? (see also Proverbs 14:31)
   d) When did you first become aware of your responsibility as a steward of God’s creation?
   e) Share some ways you have been impressed to care for God’s creation.
   f) “I’m too busy sharing the truths of the Bible to care for the environment!” Your response?