

Scripture: Genesis 1:3-5

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The title: "We are Beautiful Creatures!"

People living in Alaska are more likely to fall into depression than those of us in the so-called continents of the United States. They say that emotions become heavy, and drinking to relieve them later leads to alcoholism. We don't know how important sunlight is in our lives.

We are beautiful beings just the way we are. This is because it is a creation made by God. The reason we are beautiful is that we have life. God has given us light by **building** us. When the **Word** says, "Let there be light," it means, "Let there be life". We can be beautiful creatures because we have **life**, and you in particular, can be beautiful because you have **a** new life, not just an outward life, but a new life from God.

One of the serious illnesses that people get is a lack of motivation. This disease cannot be cured by any medicine in the world. It looks like a human, but it is almost indistinguishable from the dead because it has lost all motivation. If any of you have this kind of person, I hope that you will win with God's help. **I encourage you to stand up and live with new power.** Life must be alive in you to be a beautiful being. **Sometimes, patients who come into the so-called Suicide Ideation, go to the hospital for treatment.** Patients have their reasons to come to the hospital, and there are different trials to try to kill themselves. But when we put them together, the reason that can be summed up, in general, is that when they think there is no 'hope'.

The **Words** "it was good" in the text are repeated ten times in the creation **background**. The purpose of your existence is not for you to decide. **As long as you are allowed to live in God, you are alive.**

The reason we are beautiful is because God made us to be the light of the world. There is the most brilliant beauty in light. Take a ray of sunlight and shine it through a prism. The seven colors of rainbow will be clearly shown.

Verse 4, second half, "God divided the light from the darkness"

God did not want the light to mix with the darkness. He separated them from

each other so that the light could never again mix or unite with the darkness because light and darkness cannot have fellowship [together](#). The light that illuminates only the phenomena in front of our eyes is not necessary for us to live because it is possible to live in this world as a blind man. A person whom the Lord does not lead is a [spiritually](#) blind man. It is a paradox, but we can navigate this [temptatious](#) world better when we drive with both eyes closed.

Everyone writes two books. One is called the past, a history book that [recorded](#) your past, which, for better or worse, has passed. No matter how ugly, crooked, and [embarrassing](#) it may be, it's already written, and you can do nothing about it.

The other book we're writing is the future. It's a clean slate that hasn't even been written yet. It's a book that doesn't yet contain any regrets or shame. It's a book where you can write whatever you want from here on out.

What if we take pictures [of our own at this time](#) in the future? We can do that with God's help of faith and confidence. For one thing, they're blurry, but those blurry pictures will become apparent after a certain amount of time.

We're barely through the first week of January. How are you doing, and how will you be writing in the book called Tomorrow, the Future? May you be the kind of person who follows God's lead and writes bright, loving, beautiful stories. We are beautiful because we have hope.

What is the hope that keeps you awake at night right now? Hold on to the promise of God, the promise that is gripping you all over, and that should be your hope. [A famous theologian in Spirituality](#), Dallas Willard, says this in a book called "Hearing God." Using Romans 7 as an example, he says that Paul is talking about a point in his life when his impulsive nature, hardened by a lifetime in the direction of sin, continued to cling to old habits rather than yield to the new life that came into his soul through his encounter with Christ.

Open your mouth wide, and God will fill it. [It's a covenant, not a promise](#). But It takes determination. But it's something that's never a "gimme". May God's grace be with you. Amen.