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Working After

God's Creation

Be a kaitiaki of te Whenua

Genesis 2:15

The lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.



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How can we practice being at peace with creation?

We can practice being at peace with creation by looking after it and being a kaitiaki of Te Whenua (guardian of the earth).

My artwork shows how we can do this. It also shows what not to do. At the top of the page it has the title "looking after God's creation". It just shows that the artwork is the answer to the question. On the left half of the page is what we should do. It has a healthy earth with a heart and a halo to represent that God is happy with the earth. It also has the sun at the top of the page and the sun is fueling lights, a house and a car, to show that using renewable energy is helping God's creation. Underneath the sun is a paper, plastic and glass recycling bin to show that recycling is good for God's creation. On the left side is a tree with healthy grass and a flower which is good for God's creation. Now on the right side is the opposite of the left side. The earth in the middle is dying due to not looking after it. It has a broken black heart with a devil horn to show God is unhappy with this. Then at the top right side is using fossil fuels to power stuff which pollutes the air. Underneath that is a ton of rubbish in a dirty ocean which shows what happens if you don't recycle. Then lastly is the stump of a tree with dead grass and a dead flower to show what happens if you don't look after the earth.

Now the last part of the page is under-neath the earth it has a message that says be a kaitiaki of Te Whenua which means be a guardian of the earth. Underneath that is a bible verse from Genesis that shows how God put humans on earth to look after it.