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# WHEN the world WAKES UP

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*For Crew, Grey, and Sutton.  
Live out adventures, tell good stories,  
and find His joy everywhere you go.*


*Can you find six Scripture references  
hidden in the book's nature scenes?*



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**W**hen the world wakes up  
From a good night's sleep,  
There's a warm yellow glow  
As the sunshine peeks

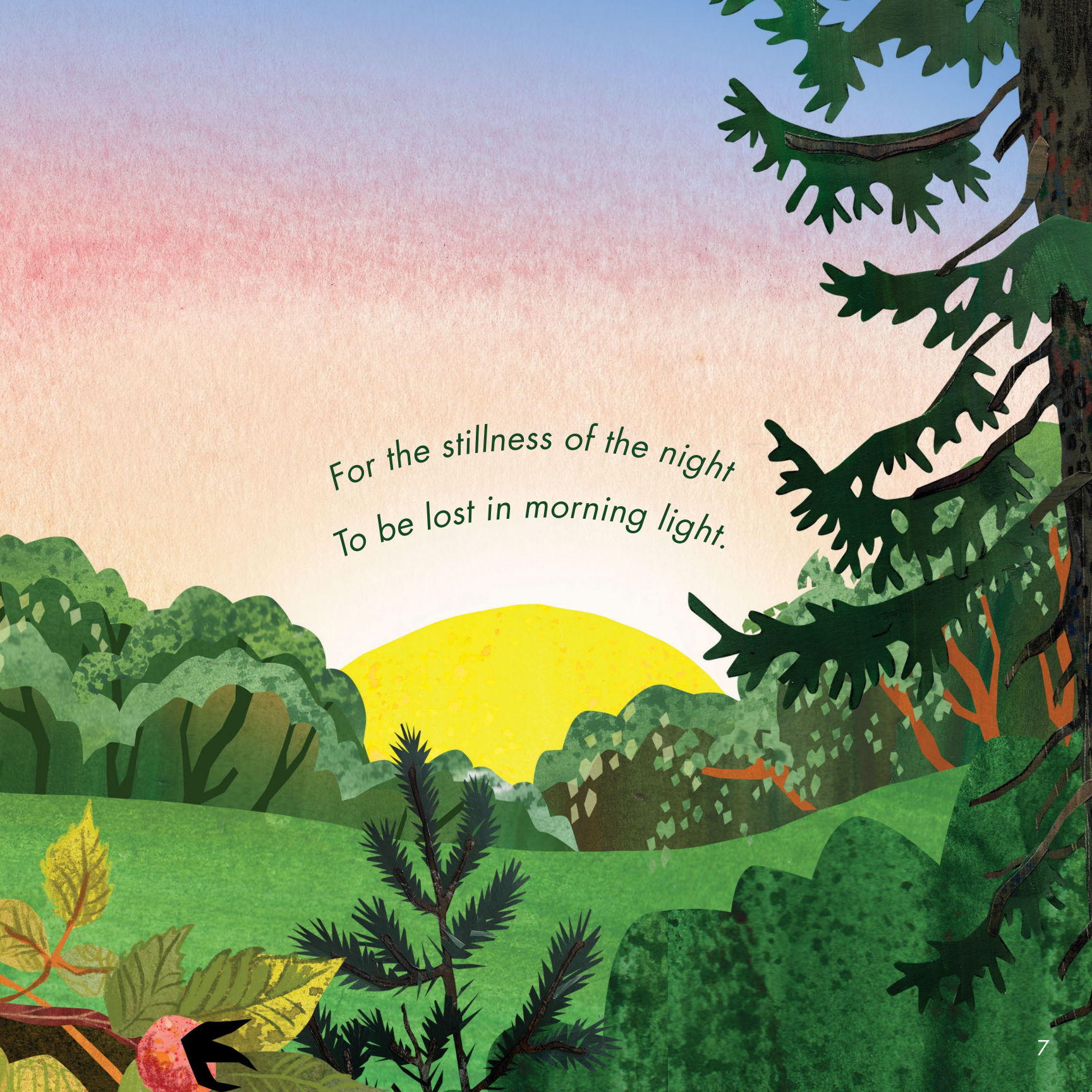


Over hilltops, tall and shy. The quiet stars wave goodbye.

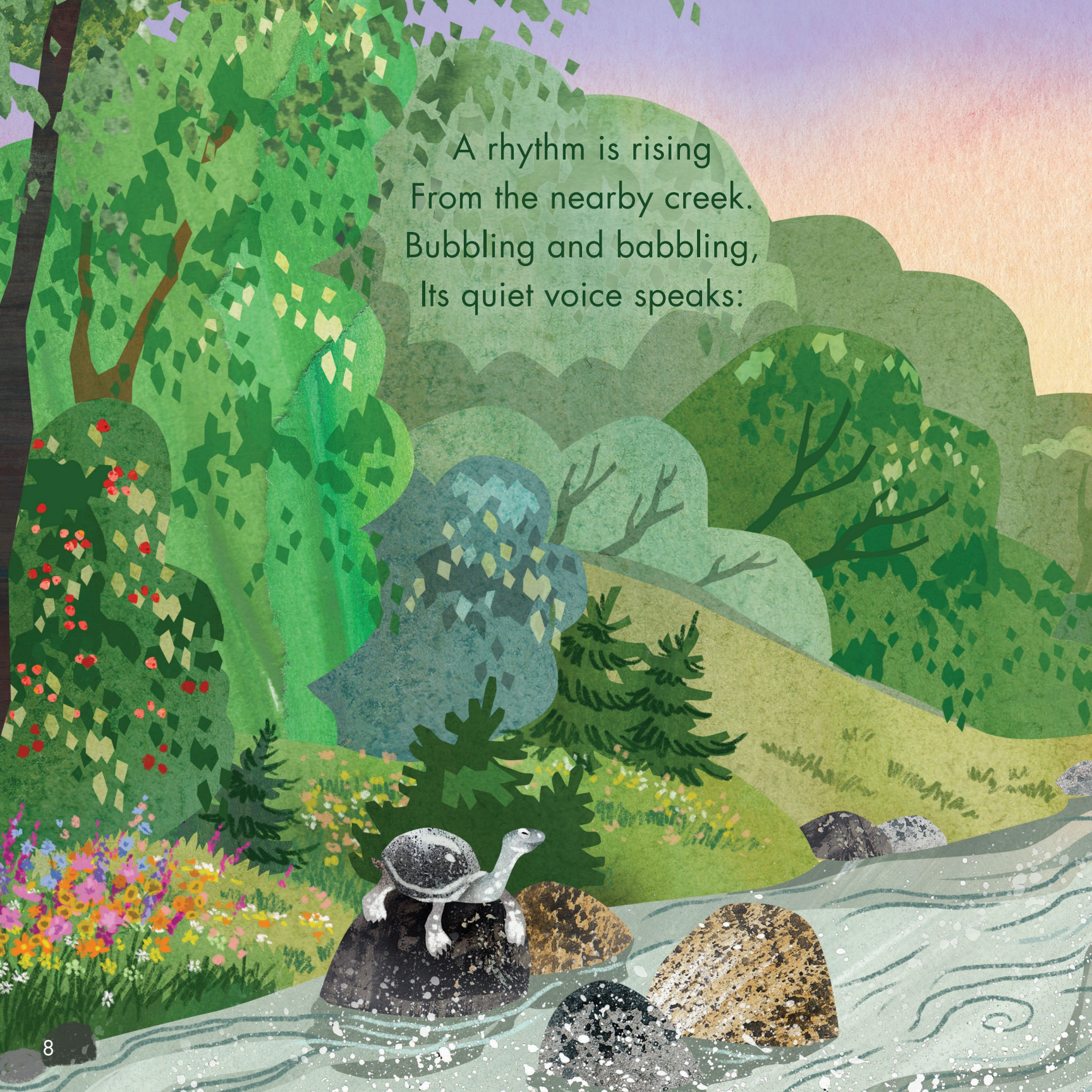
PSALM 36:5



When the world wakes up,  
Everything is calm.  
An owl *HOOT HOOTS*,  
And it won't be long



*For the stillness of the night  
To be lost in morning light.*




A rhythm is rising  
From the nearby creek.  
Bubbling and babbling,  
Its quiet voice speaks:




"Wake up woods! It's time to play  
A brand-new song for today."

PSALM 29:3-4







Now the world is up!  
The wind's whispers grow.  
Trees roll their snares  
For the subtle intro.



It starts out quite low  
But grows quickly higher—  
A melodious tune  
From the mockingbird choir.

An illustration of a forest scene. In the upper left, a small brown and white wren with its beak open sits on a branch. Below it, two colorful robins with orange, blue, and white feathers are perched on a branch, also with their beaks open. To the right, a large red squirrel with a bushy tail is sitting on a branch, looking towards the birds. The background is a bright yellow-green, with various green leaves and branches. In the bottom left corner, there are small white flowers and red berries with black stars.

Then out from the brush  
Hop robins and wrens,  
Belting out boldly  
With all of their friends.

An illustration of a forest scene. Two red squirrels are in the foreground, one on the left and one on the right, both with their mouths open as if chattering. They are surrounded by green leaves and acorns. In the upper right, a small brown bird is perched on a branch, looking towards the squirrels. The background is a soft, light green wash. The text is centered in the middle of the page.

The squirrels line up acorns  
Like xylophone keys.  
With bushy tail mallets,  
They chime in with ease.

The rabbits, they run—  
Dashing and zooming.  
Their feet pound on logs,  
Like tympanies BOOMING!




The symphony rises,  
But nowhere near done.  
There's much more to hear.  
We've only begun!



In a flash of bright silver,  
Banks murmur with bass,  
Crashing their symbols  
In synchronized splash.





The bees and the bugs,  
Let's not forget those!  
Quickly they fly  
And BUZZ like cellos.





## Remember

Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless his name.  
—Psalm 96:1–2

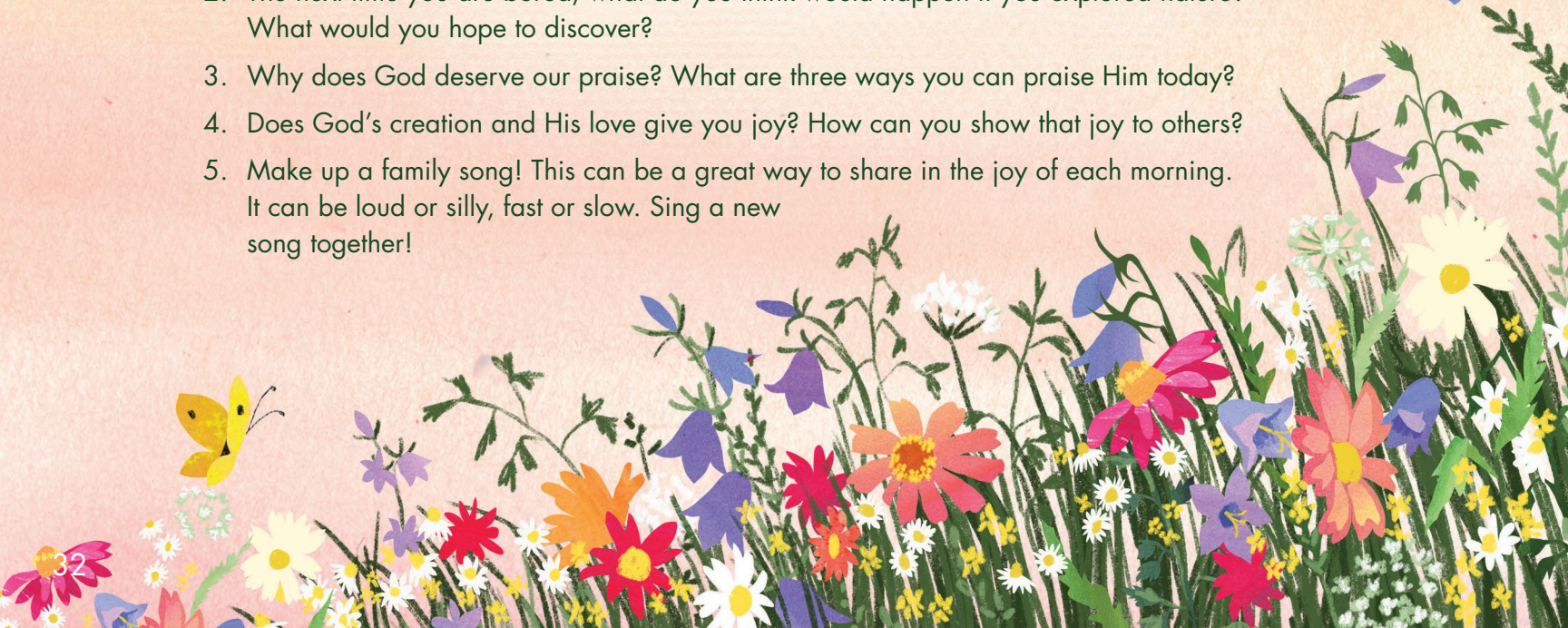
## Read

Read Psalm 19. Did you know that all creation sings praises to God? God made the whole world—every rock, animal, tree, and star is a beautiful reflection of His great work. Psalm 19 tells us that the days begin and the nights end with shouts of praise to God. Each and every day, everyone hears the echoes of God’s song through His creation. The whisper of the wind, the songs of the birds, even the warmth of the sun are all reminders of His constant love for us.

Although God’s song is always around us, sometimes we forget—or even get used to—the wonderful melody His creation sings. But did you know that God made us to share in His joy? The song of creation should be the song of our hearts, praising God with every chance we get. So remember to be thankful for the unique day God has given you, and don’t hold back the praise that is bursting from your heart! Every new day is a gift, a joyous celebration of God’s great love.

## Think

1. This book pictures so many details of God’s creation. What are some of your favorite scenes? Have you seen any of these animals, birds, plants, and flowers in real life?
2. The next time you are bored, what do you think would happen if you explored nature? What would you hope to discover?
3. Why does God deserve our praise? What are three ways you can praise Him today?
4. Does God’s creation and His love give you joy? How can you show that joy to others?
5. Make up a family song! This can be a great way to share in the joy of each morning. It can be loud or silly, fast or slow. Sing a new song together!





# WAKE UP



and join in creation's song!

Can you hear the buzz of the bees and the bugs? Do you see the dance of the deer and the ducks? Can you whistle along with the robins and the wrens? Nature's orchestra is playing its morning chorus—and you're invited to join the celebration! Welcome the new day with its colors and sounds, praising the God who wakes the world up and sings over all He has made.



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