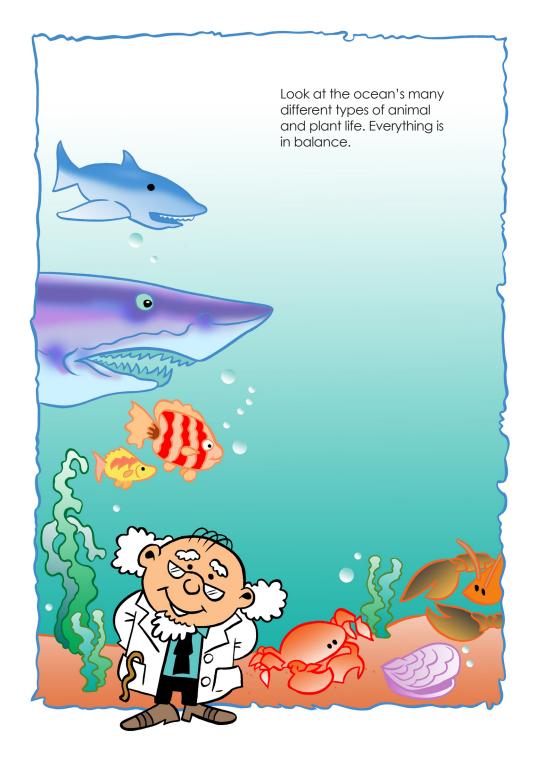


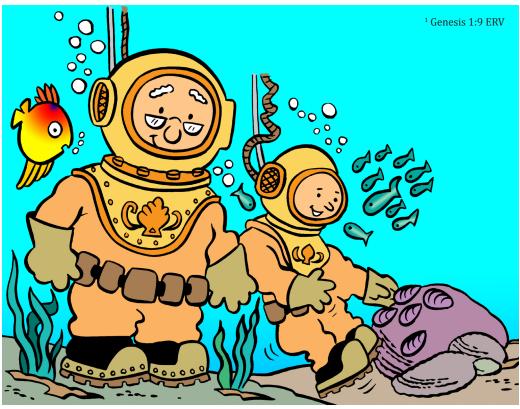
Think about the water cycle. God made it so that water from the earth's oceans, lakes, and rivers is heated up by the sun's rays. It then changes into a gas that rises into the air. This is called evaporation.

When the gas is high in the air, it begins to cool and turns back into condensation (a liquid). And this is what clouds are made of—many little drops of water. When the clouds become too heavy, that liquid turns into precipitation—rain, snow, or hail—which falls from the sky. Eventually, all that water finds its way back into the oceans, rivers, and lakes ... and then the water cycle begins again!



God created the land and the ocean. In fact, "God said, 'Let the water under the sky be gathered together so that the dry land will appear.' And it happened." Isn't that amazing! God not only made the waters, but He created all the creatures that live in the seas and oceans too—from tiny krill to the enormous blue whale.

Take some time to appreciate the amazing world God has created for us and thank Him for His handiwork. It is also important to do our part to learn what we can about the world around us, so that we can be good stewards of the beautiful earth He has given us to enjoy.



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