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God has wonderful things ahead for this new season! May you grow closer to Him.

*Much love,  
Hillary*

Spring is in full swing, and change is in the air. Flowers are blooming, butterflies are fluttering, and God is at work through it all. He reminds me of His presence through the beautiful nature all around.

I pray this new issue of the Creative Faith magazine encourages you in the season of spring. Keep your eyes open to all the ways God is trying to get your attention through His Word and the loveliness outside.

I am excited to welcome you to the next issue of the Creative Faith & Co. magazine. I pray you love this free digital magazine. It is full of articles, ideas and inspiration for this season. Click **HERE** to check out the digital magazine archive.



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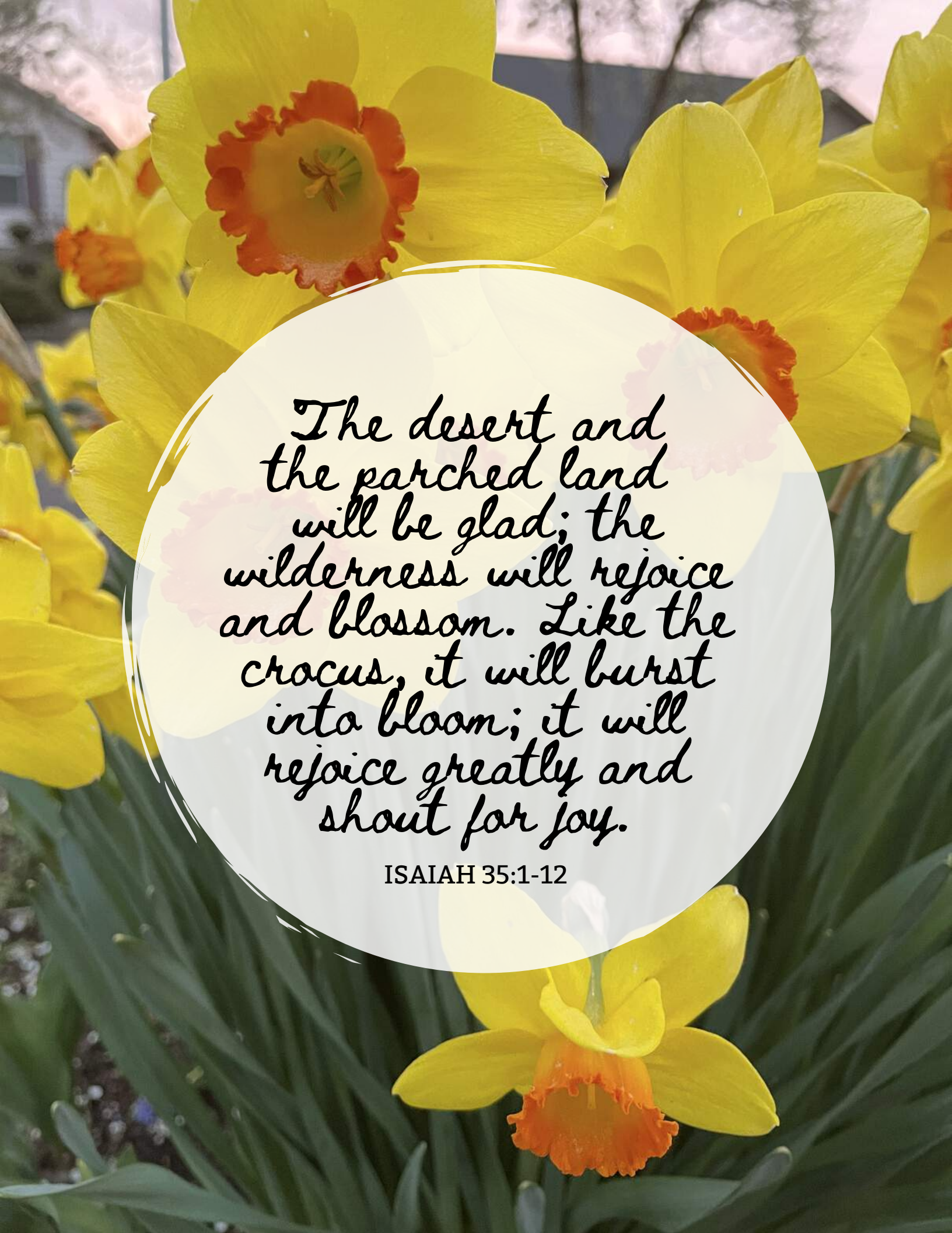
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The desert and  
the parched land  
will be glad; the  
wilderness will rejoice  
and blossom. Like the  
crocus, it will burst  
into bloom; it will  
rejoice greatly and  
shout for joy.

ISAIAH 35:1-12



# What do butterflies mean?

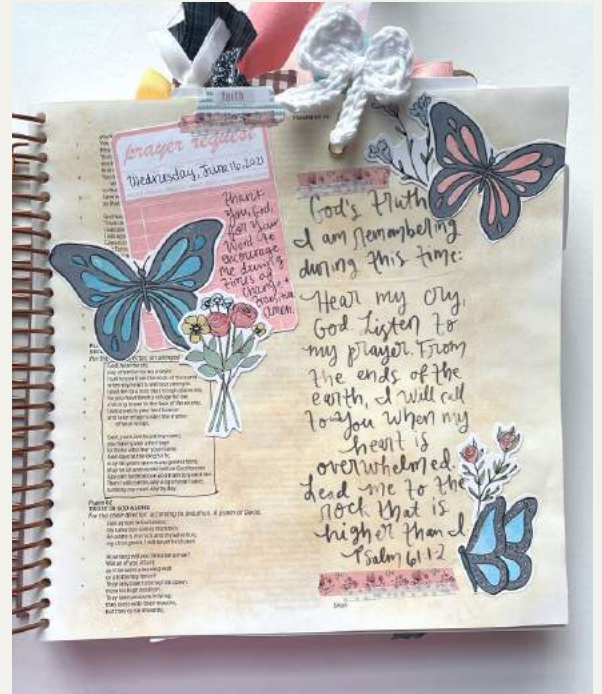
## Season of change is coming...

Are you going through a season of change and transition? Seasons of change are difficult and hard. I do not know many people who enjoy change, but change is everywhere in life and in the Bible.

*Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland. Isaiah 43:18-19*

At the end of spring 2021, my husband got a job. He was not able to work for his first year living in the United States due to immigration circumstances. I was used to him being at home, doing the majority of the cooking, cleaning and laundry. Then, all of a sudden, he was gone for 65 hours a week. It was HARD.

During this difficult season adjusting to change, God used the symbol of a butterfly to remind me that although change is hard, He is using these seasons to make you more beautiful! He wanted me to be anchored to His Word and prayer through these transition times.





Pray through a  
season of change!  
God is with you  
always.

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BUTTERFLY JOURNALS

During that time I saw so many butterflies. One Monday I was cleaning up the church parking lot and one fluttered by... I saw another one walking to my car a different day. They are little God sightings that remind me that He is with me in the midst of seasons of change.

Butterflies truly represent how God used an extremely hard season to help me remember and trust that He was making something beautiful out of it all.

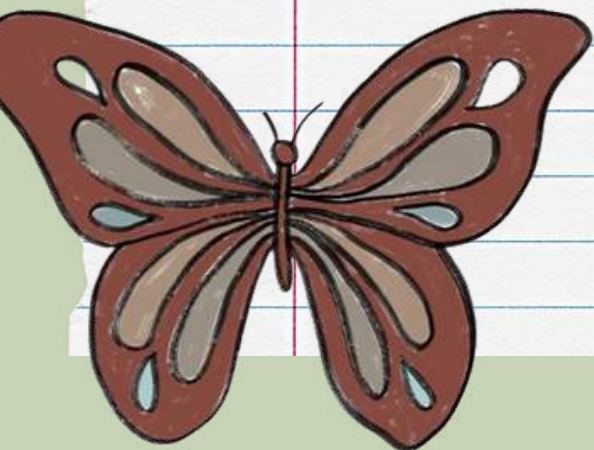
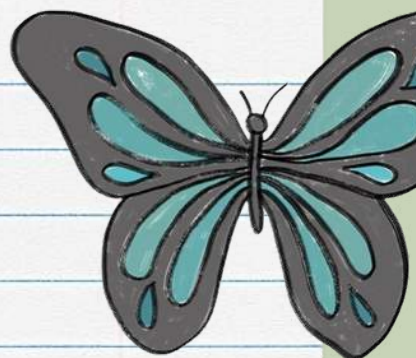
Therefore, if anyone is in  
Christ, the new creation  
has come: The old has  
gone, the new is here!  
2 Corinthians 5:17

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Use this page to write a prayer  
for your spring season:





Do you feel alone and far from God? Do you need to learn how to organize and track your prayers? Do you want to be more consistent in your prayer life? I have a solution for you! Join the Creative Faith Prayer Journaling Course!

Don't forget to use the code "memorialsale" for 15% off through May 30, 2023.



The Prayer Journaling Online Course comes with:

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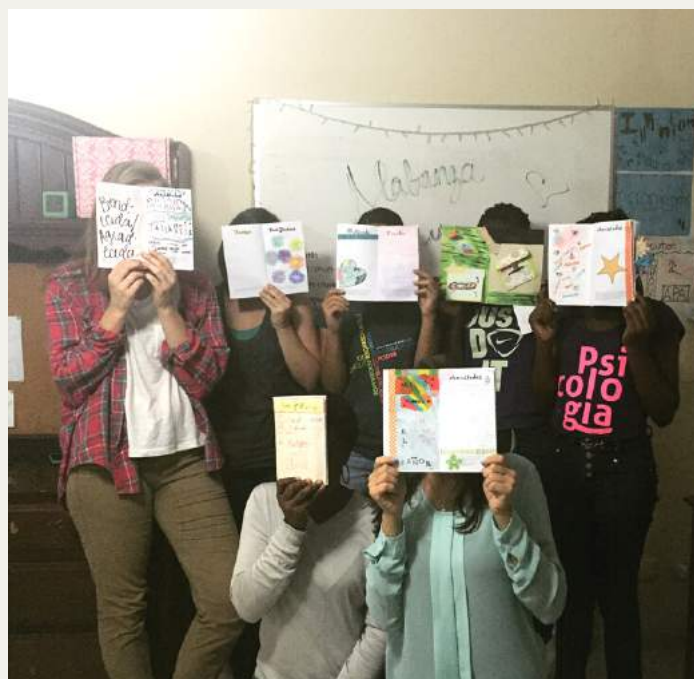


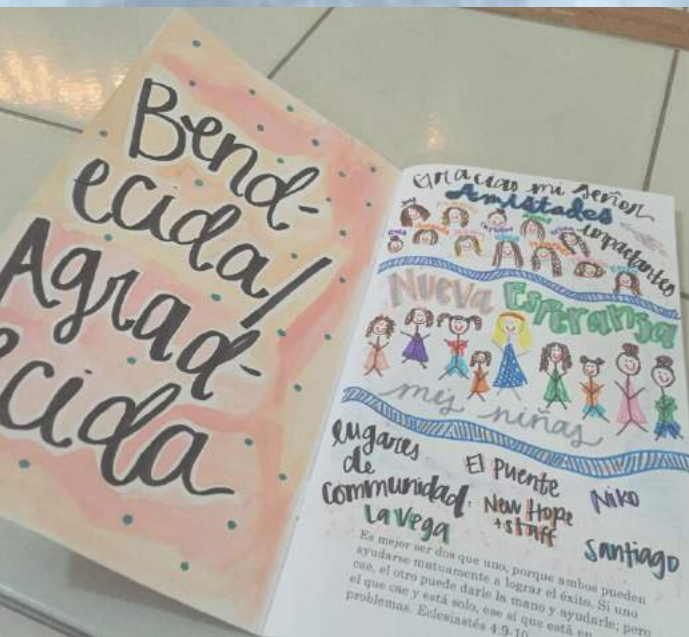
# Established May 2016: The 1st Creative Faith Workshops

Did you know the end of May 2016 was when Creative Faith & Co. began?! I had been living in the Dominican Republic for two years. My first year in the country was very rough. I did not have many friends, but God used that time to bring me close to Him.

I started spending lots of time with Jesus. I used plain notebooks that I would fill with Bible verses, song lyrics, and prayers. Lots and lots of prayers. Questioning God. Pleading with Him. Tear-stained pages, pages with food crumbs stick in the crack and crease.

Fall of 2015 I discovered Bible journaling on Instagram. I fell in love with the idea. In January 2016 I purchased a journaling Bible. I got to use the gifts and talents God gave me to share and spend time with Him. I spent hours diving into the Word and painting the passages. I discovered I wasn't forgetting what I read. I was retaining the information and stories in a deeper manner because I was engaged with them more than I ever had been before.





I truly started to actually delight in spending time with God. An obsession overtook me. I preferred sitting on my kitchen table water coloring pages in my Bible over going out for ice cream with friends.

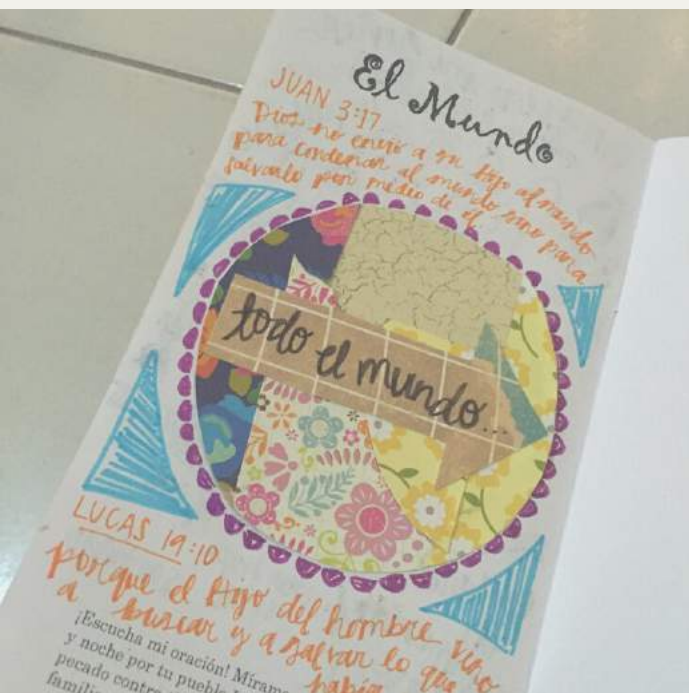
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to take great pleasure in; something that makes you extremely happy

I wanted to share this with every person I knew. I needed to tell people about Bible journaling and how it was an amazing way to spend time with God. As I dug deeper, I realized there were no resources in Spanish. At the time, I was still living in the Dominican Republic. I realized I needed to make some resources to share with my friends in Spanish. That's when Creative Faith & Co. began, back in May of 2016.



In my last two weeks of living in the Dominican Republic I made a Spanish prayer journal and had 100 copies printed. I gave three workshops with ladies from 12-years-old to 70-years-old. People were eager to learn about a creative way to spend time with God.



I moved back to the United States and God gave me the crazy idea to start a business. Creative Faith & Co. officially became a business in November 2016. I pray this story of new life and transformation encourages you. What new thing is God doing in your life?



Fill out this fun spring themed  
"this or that" by circling your favorites!

Baby Ducks

or

Baby Lambs

Daffodils

or

Tulips

April showers

or

May flowers

Tea party

or

Garden party

Spring floral dress

or

Overalls for outside

Reading in a hammock

or

Reading in a rocking chair

Tall grass

or

Mowed lawn

Softball game

or

Track meet

Butterflies

or

Birds

Smell of fresh cut grass

or

Smell of a peony

Farmer's Market

or

Grocery Store



Are you looking for spring themed printables? I have TONS of great ones available in my Etsy shop. From patterned papers, to beautiful florals, to plant imagery, to green mugs. These pages are ready for you to download, print, and use in your projects! Don't forget to use the code "MEMORIALSALE" for 15% off through May 30, 2023.



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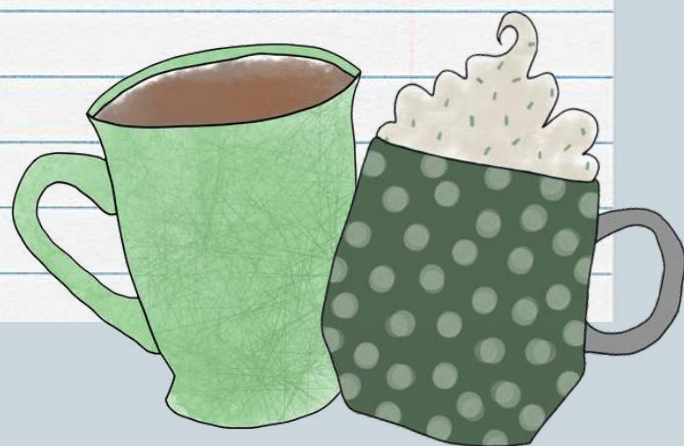


# Spring bucket list ideas:

- Pick dandelions and make something fun with them! Press the flowers. Make shortbread cookies with the petals (click [HERE](#) for my favorite recipe). Make pesto out of the leaves.
- Paint a butterfly.
- Go for a picnic outside with your family.
- Plant something new! Either in a pot inside, or start a garden outside.
- Go to a local flower festival.
- Have a picnic dinner outside.
- Go for a nature photo walk. Take pictures of pretty flowers. Bonus ideas: Print and use them in your journaling Bible, prayer journal, or gratitude journal!
- Bring your bible to the park to sit and read.
- Stand barefoot in the dirt or grass while drinking your morning coffee, tea, matcha, smoothie, or hot chocolate.
- Memorize Colossians 2:6-7.
- Go makeup free for a day.
- Send an encouraging letter to someone! Could be a family member, someone from church or a friend.



Use this page to create a  
spring bucket list!





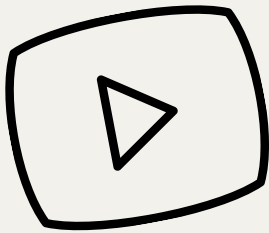


*Consider how the wild flowers grow.  
They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell  
you, not even Solomon in all his  
splendor was dressed like one of these.*

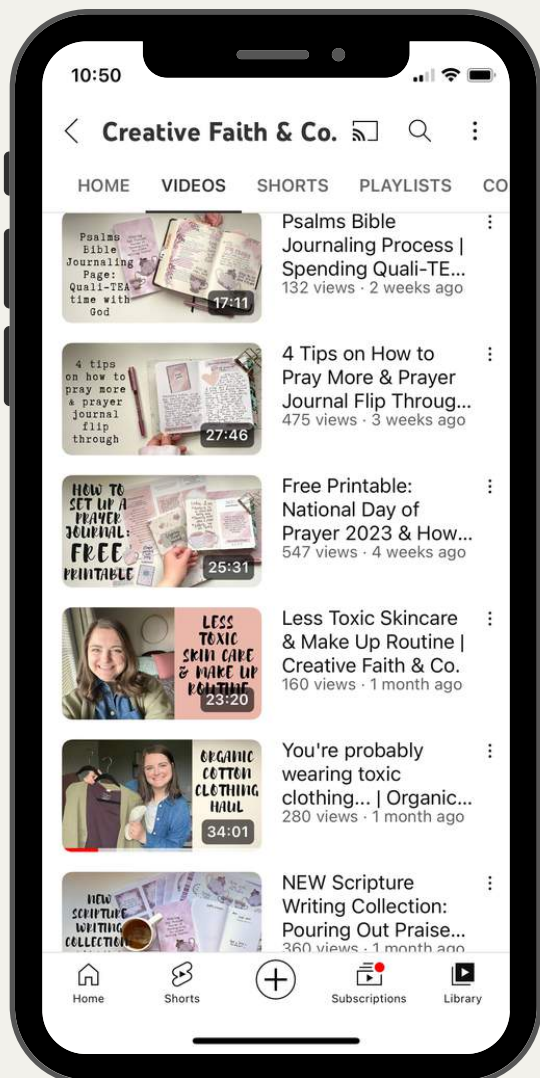
LUKE 12:27







Have you missed any Creative Faith & Co. YouTube videos? New ones drop every Tuesday and Saturday!



Spending Quali-tea Time with God Psalms Bible Journaling Process



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# Free Bible Study Devotion: Seed Planter

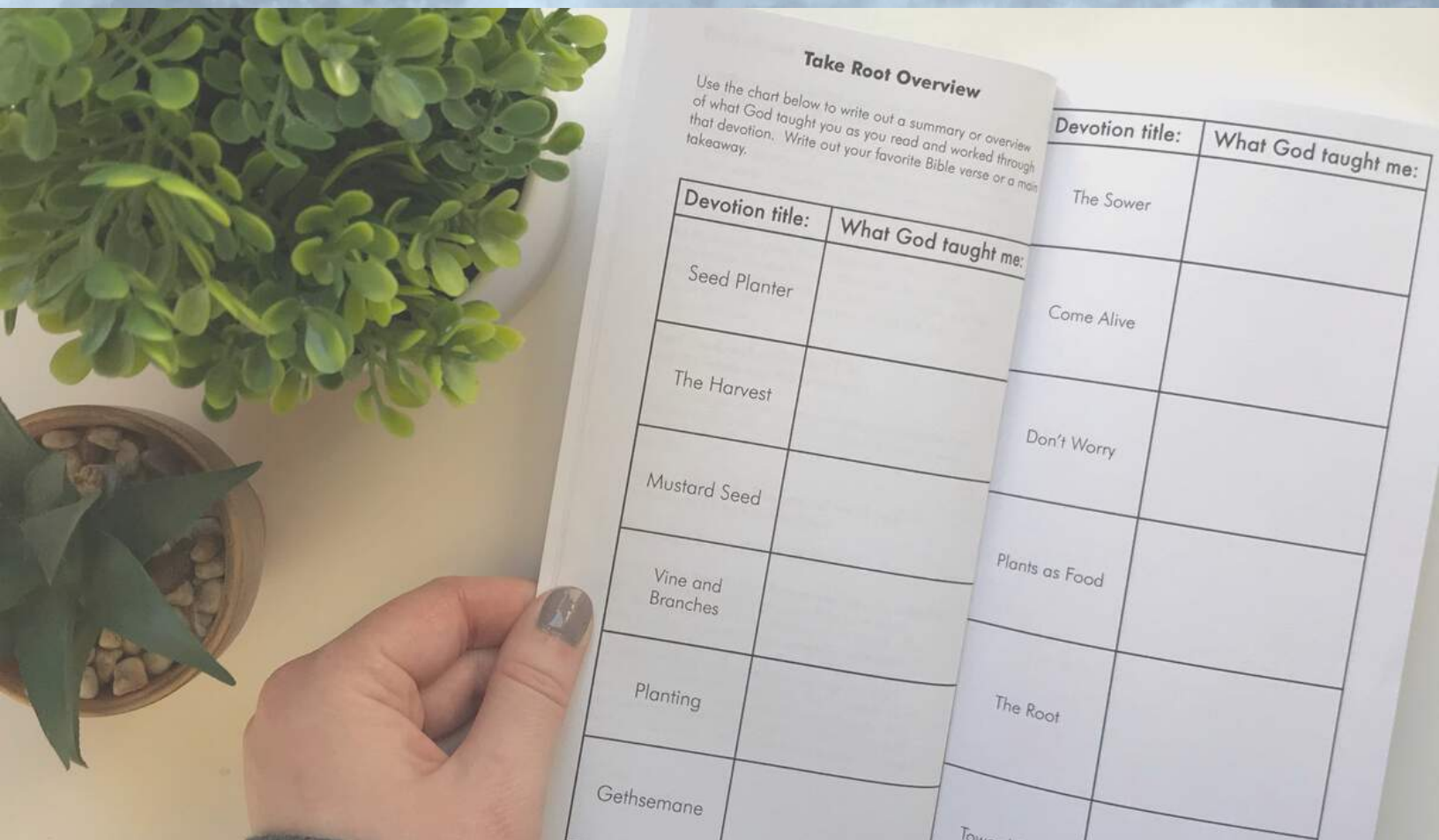
Planting is no easy task. I have never been a gardener. As I prepared to move into a new apartment, my mom thought it would be a good idea to fill my new bedroom with plants. We found pots for them. We painted the pots. Then, we filled the pots with gravel, special dirt, broke up the roots of the plants, and planted them. So many steps. So much time. So much care. So much energy.

Read 1 Corinthians 3:6-7.

Planting spiritual seeds takes time, energy and care. It can seem like a long stretch waiting for the seeds to grow into beautiful flowers. Paul tells us that God is the one who makes them grow. All we have to do is plant the seed. We need to have patience as we are waiting. We may never see the flower grow or the fruit produce. But we need to trust that God is doing something.

Being a disciple means you are making disciples who make disciples. God tells us in Matthew 4:19 that He will make us fishers of men if only we follow Him.





## Going Deeper reflection questions from "Seed Planter"

- Write "I am a seed planter" in your journaling Bible, prayer journal or devotion book and reflect on what that means for your life.
- Draw a watering can to remind yourself that God is the one that makes the seed grow.
- Write a prayer, asking God to help you plant seeds in people's lives around you. Who can you pour into today?

*"I planted the seed in your hearts, and Apollos watered it, but it was God who made it grow. It's not important who does the planting, or who does the watering. What's important is that God makes the seed grow."*

*1 Corinthians 3:6-7*

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the *Going Deeper* questions:



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# How to Set Up a Garden Journal:

Do you have a garden? This year is our first spring and summer that we have an outside area to plant and grow. A whole back and front yard is quite the upgrade from our 4x6 foot apartment balcony. I am trying to learn and not get overwhelmed by gardening.

I decided to set up a garden journal. I filmed a flip through video of my journal as well as a process of how I set up my garden.

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I am growing zucchini, cucumbers, peppers, basil, cherry tomatoes, watermelon, pumpkin pie pumpkins, and Hillary's mint (yes, that's the actual name of the plant).

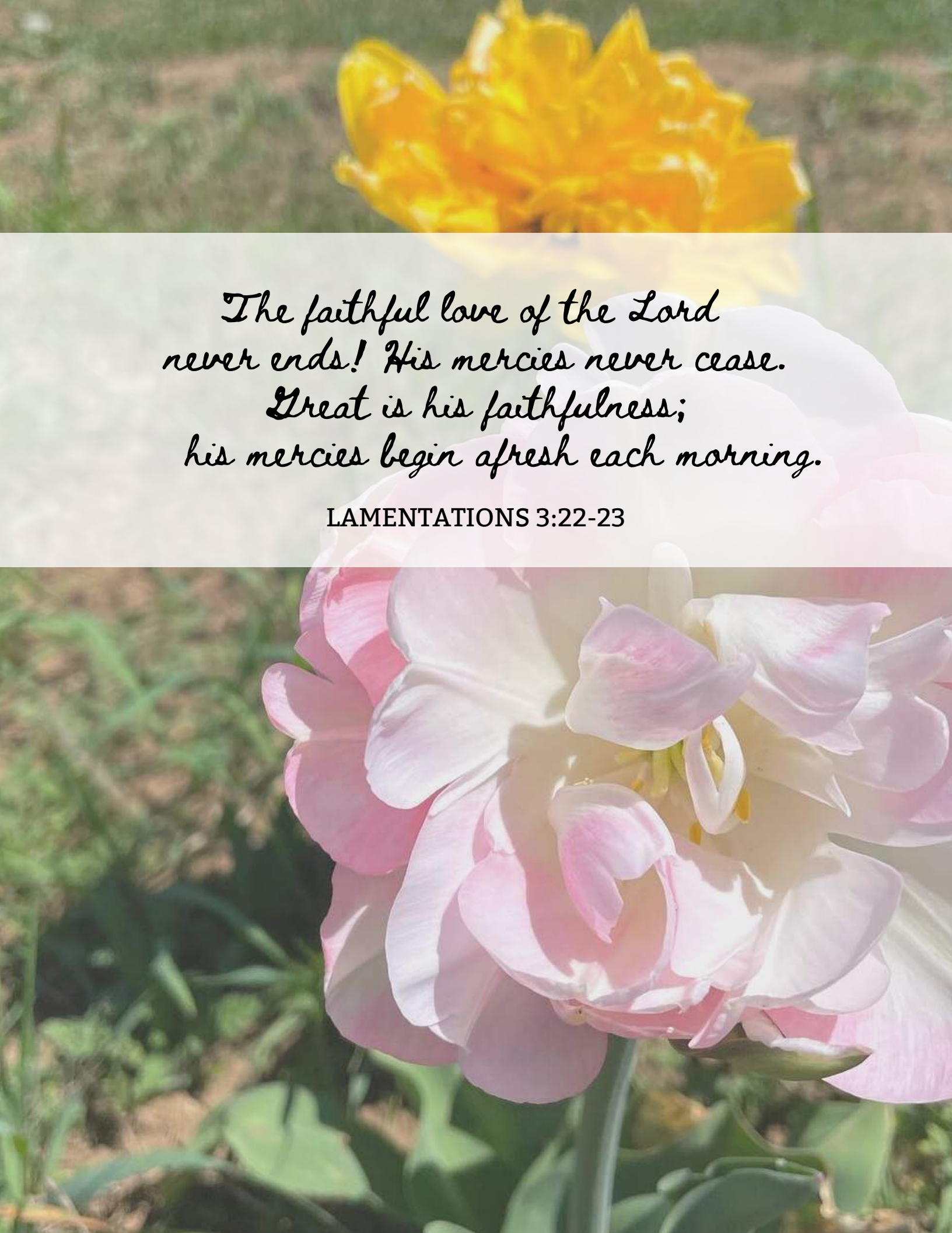
What did I include in my garden journal?

- Prayer over my garden
- Bible verses about gardening
- List of veggies and fruits and herbs that I would like to grow someday
- List of what I planted this year
- Dates of when I planted them and then once I harvest them, I will add those dates, too
- Garden layout/design



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*The faithful love of the Lord  
never ends! His mercies never cease.  
Great is his faithfulness;  
his mercies begin afresh each morning.*

LAMENTATIONS 3:22-23



# Seasons of Prayer Spring Scripture writing plan

Use these Bible verses to read and study and learn more about the theme of new life in Scripture.

- 1 Peter 1:3
- 2 Corinthians 5:17
- Ecclesiastes 3:11
- Isaiah 43:18-19
- Romans 6:4

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# Spring themed faith journaling pages for inspiration





# Sunday Reset: How to start your week with intention

It is Sunday. The wonderful weekend has come to a close, and the stress of the work week looms. Sunday evenings can be a challenging time for me. I get overwhelmed thinking about all there is to do in the week ahead.

I have started doing a Sunday evening reset to help me get prepared for the week ahead.

What do I like to do on Sundays to reset?

- Water plants
- Take out the garbage and recycling
- Prep something to eat for breakfasts during the week like quiche, protein banana bread, egg cups, breakfast burritos
- Decorate and set up my planner and make to do lists for the week ahead so I know what to focus on and prioritize
- Tidy up the house by vacuuming, putting away clean laundry
- Write a prayer in my prayer journal for the week ahead giving it to the Lord



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# Reviews & Testimonials



([Green Mugs printable](#))

This is the second set of printables that I have bought from Hillary. They are fantastic. She does a great job designing them and when you print them, they are gorgeous. I will definitely be buying more in the future.

*Eva from Maryland*



([Breakfast with Jesus printable](#))

These cutables are just adorable. The devotional gives me content to ponder for several days. I was very pleased with the colors and the way it all printed. Great job Creative Faith Co!!

*Gayle from Mississippi*



([Entwined printable](#))

Thank you, Hillary. A wonderful, short devotional set. I love that you make these. Exactly what I was looking for. Super easy to purchase, download, and print. ♥. Thanks again ☺

*Daphne from Rhode Island*



## Have you checked out the latest Creative Faith kit & collection yet?

Did you know I have a new collection and kit out all about the Fruit of the Spirit from Galatians 5:22-23? Are you ready to chew on God's Word? Are you ready to spend some sweet time in Scripture?

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