

*Wednesday, December 22, 2004*

*Scripture Reading: Psalm 78:11*

*Text for Today: "They forgot what he had done, and the miracles that he had shown them."*

Our God is a God of creation. God gave us the miraculous gift of this earth – with its minerals and waters, with its flowers and fruits, with its living creatures of grace and beauty, that we might nurture them, stewards in God's household. But today we hear God ask: What have you done to the water, the earth, the air?

Our God is a God of love. God gave us the miraculous gift of peoples – of different races and colors, of different customs and cultures, of different opinions and points of view, that we might share our lives, children in God's household. But today we hear God ask: What have you done to you sister, your brother?

Our God is a God of salvation. God gave us the miraculous gift of God's son – a child in Bethlehem, a teacher in Galilee, a suffering servant on the cross, that we might follow him, members in the body of faith. Today we hear God ask: What have you done to the joy of Christmas and the good news of Easter?

Prayer: Teach us, Creator, God of love and salvation, that the earth and all its fullness...that the world and those who dwell therein...that the church and all its parts...are yours. All glory be to you now and forever. Amen.

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