



THE INTERVIEW

Liz desperately wants to interview someone with a great story for his school project. Who lives in the mysterious house across the swamp? How will Liz get there, and what valuable stories does he learn?

Let's Get Started

Episode Theme: Be still and know that I am God.

1. What's your favorite place in nature? Perhaps you can do these devotions in your backyard or at a nature center.

2. God shows you who he is in two wonderful ways. In the Bible, God tells the story of his rescue plan for his people. God also reveals himself in his creation. Psalm 104 lists many of the wonderful things he made, and when you see huge snowflakes, a wonderful butterfly, or the majesty of the blue whale, you can learn more and more about who God is and how he cares for creation. In what ways does God's creation show him as an artist? "Be still, and know that I am God," says the creator of all things. Think about God's great creation work as you listen this episode.

Memory Verse

¹⁰ God brings wars to an end all over the world. He breaks the arrows, shatters the spears, and burns the shields. Psalm 46:10

After You Listen

In this episode, the swamp scared Liz, Spike, and Cole, but Mr. Harper helped Liz see that the sounds of the swamp were beautiful. These sounds even helped Mr. Harper heal the painful memories of his lost friend. One thing we can learn from this episode is that whether it's a swamp, a desert, or the tundra, God's got a plan for each part of his creation, and he uses each part for his good work. God does not make junk. A second thing for us to learn is that God's creation introduces us to him! Mr. Harper would sit and listen to the swamp sounds. The swamp was a place that helped him "see" God's good work.

Dig deeper in Scripture and see that God is the God of all things. Check out <u>Romans 1:19-20</u>, <u>Genesis 1</u>, and <u>Psalm 24</u>.

Challenge

Take a walk with your family at a local nature area. At some point in the walk, find a place to sit and see how God reveals himself in his creation. All nature sings to its Creator—the sight of a flower, the sound of birds, and the feeling of the breeze. In being still, focus on the creation—the sight, sound, touch, smell (and perhaps even taste). Feel the temperature of the air on your skin, the feeling of the breeze and the sun. Notice the sounds around you. Listen to the symphony of nature. What does nature tell you about who God is? Pray and thank God for all that he has made.

Take the Episode Quiz

Question 1: What kind of animals are Liz, Cole, and Spike afraid of?

Answer: They are afraid of swamp rats and owls.

Question 2: Who takes them across the swamp in his boat?

Answer: Walker

Question 3: What unfortunately happens when the boys enter the house?

Answer: They set off the security alarms.

Question 4: What do Liz and Mr. Harper do with the bugs that get zapped?

Answer: They eat them.

Question 5: What was the name of Mr. Harper's friend that died in the war?

Answer: His name was Reed.

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