

- 1. Preserves natural resources: Our natural resources are finite, so we need to be careful to not overconsume. Thankfully, God's provision is infinite and will always be enough when we put our trust in Him and do our best to care for His Creation.
- 2. Helps preserve the beauty of natural spaces. If we reduce, reuse and recycle we put less burden on the need for resources to be consumed to produce new materials.
- 3. When we reduce and reuse it saves energy. Energy gets consumed in the production of new products as well in the recycling process. So, reusing or upcycling something to a new use helps save energy.
- 4. When you reduce and reuse you help to reduce green house gas emissions. Every little bit helps.
- 5. Helps reduce pollution in other ways as well. Reusing or properly recycling items that can no longer be used helps keep pollutants from our water and has a big impact on lower pollution levels in general.
- 6. When you reduce and reuse you reduce the need for landfill space. Landfills are big contributors to pollution levels and over time can become threats to water sources as well.
- 7. A commitment to reduce, Reuse, and recycle also stimulates creativity and innovation in new technology that help us to better utilize resources and care for creation.
- 8. When we upcycle and recycle, jobs are created.
- 9. When you reduce, reuse, and recycle you save money.... You may even make some.
- 10. This effort creates a sustainable future. A commitment to Creation Care demonstrated by reducing consumption, reusing/upcycling usable goods and appropriately recycling those items that can no longer be used not only decreases our immediate impact but creates practices that are sustainable for future generations.