

OUR CREATION

We look at the trees and sky
And marvel at their strength and beauty.
The power of the tiger and the grace of the gazelle
Remind us of Gd's enormity.

For Gd made this world
And all that lives within and upon.

But nature is not the entirety of this world,
And Gd is not its only creator.
For while Gd created us,
Gd did not create that which is between us;
That which binds us to each other.

A parent's safe embrace of their child,
One's gentle touch for a lover's pain,
A friend's calm presence in the midst of chaos;
Those gifts are our creation.

Our souls draw us together in compassion,
Our hearts create beauty that warms us,
Our connections with each other
Create the peace we long for.

Gd created the framework of the world,
But the world is more.
For the world is the love we give
And the belonging in each other's souls.

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