

A Springtime Study

It's springtime, and after the winter we have experienced, we're glad that season is here. This time of year brings some interesting sights and lessons, among them: Nature's crawly creatures. Consider ...

Certain species of cicadas appear once every 17 years. They create almost constant noise at an extremely disruptive level, and then they quickly disappear.



In contrast, a hive of honeybees can exist for years. Through consistent, everyday effort and in harmony with one another, bees supply honey and beeswax, both considered valuable around the world. They pollinate plants and flowers that furnish fruit, vegetables, bread and, indirectly, meat for daily nourishment. Bees also provide the added bonus of beauty and fragrance. Without those gifts, our life experiences would be diminished.

For us, right living and productivity are very important. When considering our actions, are we like the cicadas – busybodies and disruptive – or are we doing the work to which we are called in a spirit of cooperation with our associates – like the worker bees?

In 2 Thessalonians 3:13, we are advised: *But you, brethren, be not weary in well doing.*

May we learn from both Scripture and creation to be known only for the positive contributions and caring attitudes we maintain.

– Beecher Hunter