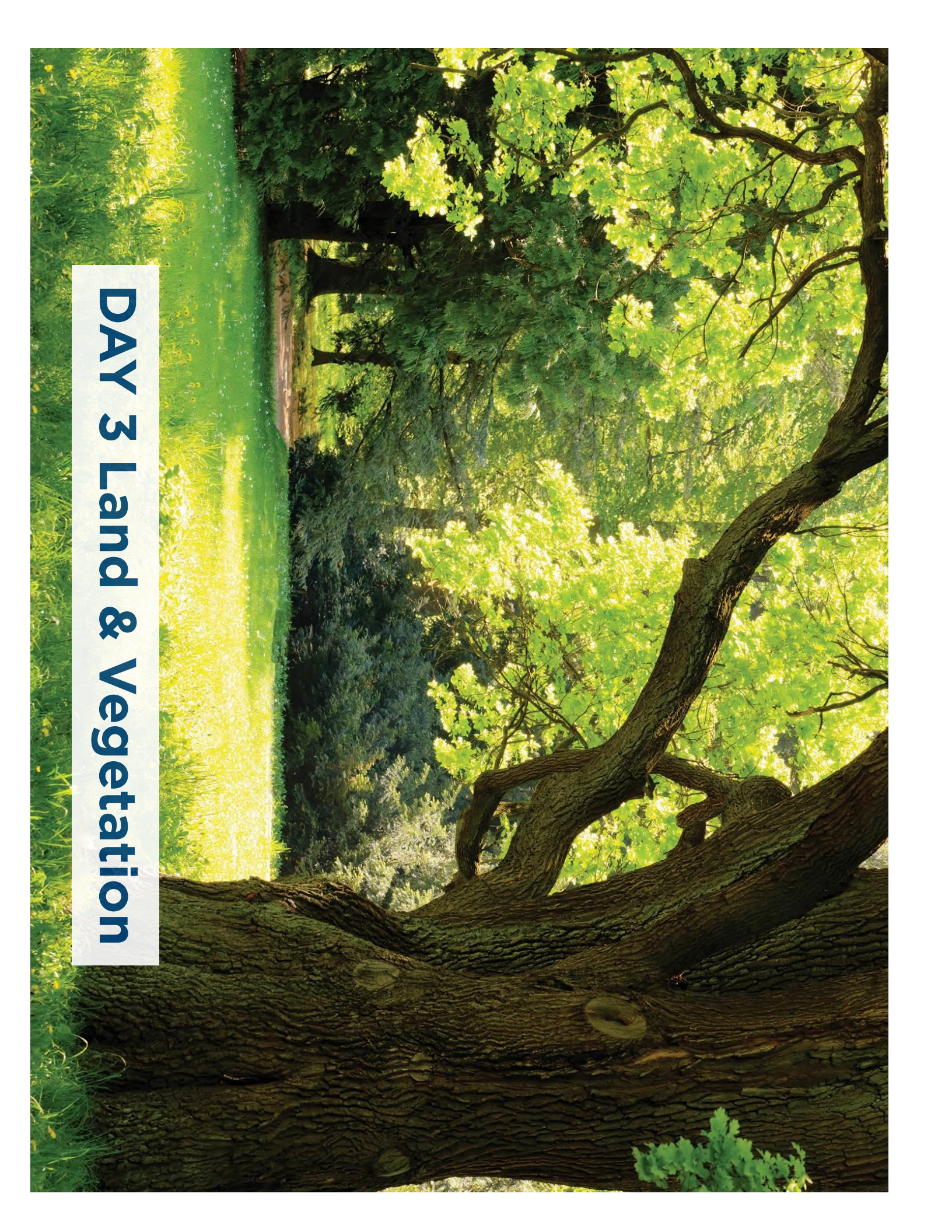


A vibrant, high-quality photograph of a natural landscape. In the foreground, a large, gnarled tree trunk with rough, textured bark dominates the lower half of the frame. The tree's branches spread out, covered in bright green leaves that are illuminated by sunlight, creating a dappled light effect. To the left of the tree, a narrow, winding path or stream bed is visible, bordered by tall grass and wildflowers. The background is a dense forest of various green trees and shrubs, with sunlight filtering through the canopy. The overall scene is peaceful and verdant, suggesting a healthy ecosystem.

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READ

The Creation of Land and Vegetation: In the beginning, there was no dry land. On the third day, God chose to give the gift of land. God filled the land with vegetation: all kinds of plants, flowers, and trees — with seeds to make even more. God looked at his creation and saw that it was good.

...OR READ GENESIS 1:9-13

Then God said, “Let the water under the sky be gathered into a single basin, so that the dry land may appear.” And so it happened: the water under the sky was gathered into its basin, and the dry land appeared. God called the dry land “the earth,” and the basin of the water he called “the sea.” God saw how good it was.

Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth vegetation: every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it.” And so it happened: the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed — the third day.

WONDER QUESTIONS (OPTIONAL)

Who likes fruit? What is your favorite? (Allow for answers.) What a great gift! Does fruit have seeds? What do the seeds do? (Grow into new fruit vines and trees.) And those trees give us...what? (More fruit!) So one little seed from an apple tree actually gives us...more apples!! Bushels and bushels of apples. Our God is so generous. This is the gift that keeps on giving! He must love us very much.

What Day are we on? (Day 3) What day is coming next? (Day 4)