

*Carolyn Roth Ministry*

## *Newsletter*

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### Schedule a Presentation by Carolyn



I give presentation on Bible plants and on relationships in the Bible. If your group wants to schedule a presentation, go to [CarolynRothMinistry.com/](http://CarolynRothMinistry.com/) and complete the form under “Presentations.”

Unless your group is large, i.e., more than about 50 persons, there is no charge for the presentation.

If you live outside of the Roanoke area, you will need to reimburse me for travel; however, there will be no cost for speaking.

I have all of my own AV equipment.

At each of my presentations, I offer books for sale.

### **Alert—Alert—Alert**

Soon to be released: *Connecting the Church Calendar, 101 meditations on church seasons.*

If you have ever wondered what is the meaning of, yes, even the fuss about, Church seasons, this book is a “Must Read.”

Paper back copy available on Amazon and [CarolynRothMinistry.com/](http://CarolynRothMinistry.com/) It is more economical to purchase a printed book from my website than anywhere else. Electronic copy available only on Amazon/Kindle. If you live locally (Roanoke), call me and avoid cost of shipping and handling (540-204-4225).

## God's Original Plan for the Earth

On Day 3 of creation, God caused the dry land to appear on earth and spoke plants into existence. God said, "Let the land produce ... seed bearing plants and trees" (Ge 1.11). Plants include trees, shrubs, herbs, bushes, grasses, vines, ferns, mosses, and flowers. Initially, there were no plants on the dry land because there was no man to work the ground (Ge 2.5). God's earliest plan was for man and plants to interact, i.e., man to tend plants and plants to give food to man.

God intended Adam to have a different relationship with animals than with plants. He gave Adam dominion, supreme authority, or absolute ownership over animals. In contrast, God told Adam to tend, guard, and keep the garden and its plants. God entrusted plants to mankind.



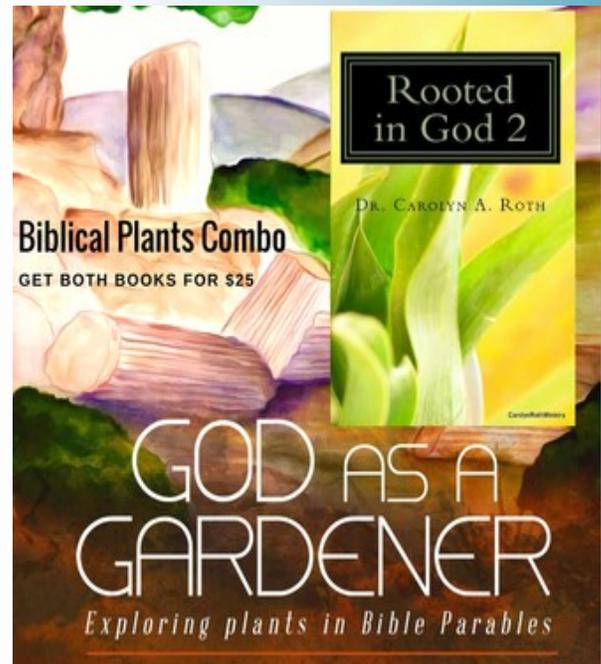
The Druse Temple area in Israel.

Many of us have gardens. There is joy in enriching the soil and nurturing seeds to full growth. We delight to see our own flowers grow and bloom, crave succulent fruits from our trees, and yearn to stimulate taste buds with fresh-grown herbs. There is something inherently satisfying about gardening.

Gardening instincts shouldn't surprise us. Our spiritual father, God, was a gardener, the producer of all vegetation on the earth. Gardening is in our genetic makeup. Unlike Adam and Eve, most of us don't live in a delightful garden; however, God's plan is for us to live with plant creation. God wants all vegetation, i.e., brightly colored flowers and leafy trees, to delight our eyes and soothe our spirits.

Ponder God's original plan for the earth, its plants and mankind. Reflect on changes God made to each of these—earth, plants, man—as a result of Adam and Eve's choice to disobey him.

# Special Extended



March 20 is the first day of Spring!!!!

Spring is a time to start thinking about gardening. Just in time for Spring planting, I am running a special on two of my books on Bible plants. Both books sell individually for \$15.00; however, if you buy both in March, the cost is \$25.00. Plus, you pay only \$4.00 shipping. Go to my website to make a purchase.

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