



The Wonder of a Wattle Season

One lesson on the work of the Lord Jesus Christ, for a parent and children. Suggested ages are about 5–12 with an adult. That is not a school grade.

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Sample only. The paid journal is eight further weeks, also centred on Christ.

How to use this lesson

This is not a nature lesson with a verse added at the end. The Lord Jesus Christ, the Word of God, made the wattle and every other plant. We look, so that we will worship him.

Plan on one outdoor look and one page indoors. Thirty to fifty minutes is enough. Pray the prayer aloud. Do not skip the name of Jesus.

Golden wattle, *Acacia pycnantha*, is Australia's floral emblem, proclaimed on 19 August 1988. It grows naturally in South Australia, Victoria, New South Wales, and the Australian Capital Territory. It has been planted more widely, and it is weedy in some places, including parts of Western Australia. If it does not grow where you live, study another wattle, or a wattle in a garden, and say so. The Lord is the maker there too.

PlantNET records flowering from July to November. The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet describes the main flowering as late August into September, with seed later in December. Your street may differ. Australia has about a thousand *Acacia* species.

After the seedling stage, golden wattle uses flattened stalks called phyllodes. They are often sickle-shaped and about 6 to 20 centimetres long. The flower heads are bright yellow balls. The Australian National Botanic Gardens describes up to about eighty tiny flowers in a head.

Do not pick flowers where a park forbids it. A fallen phyllode, or a careful look from the path, is enough.

Facts checked against the Australian National Botanic Gardens, PlantNET, and the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Look at what Christ has made

Notice

Find a wattle, or the closest shrub if you cannot. Look at the flowers, or at the phyllodes and any pods. Thank the Lord Jesus out loud for one thing you see.

Scripture

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

John 1:3, King James Version. The "him" is the Word, the Lord Jesus, who is God (John 1:1).
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Also read: "O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches" (Psalm 104:24). The works are his. The wisdom is his. The riches are his.

Three questions

1. Who made the flower or the phyllode you are looking at?
2. John 1:3 says nothing was made without the Lord Jesus. What does that mean for a plant in another state that looks different today?
3. What praise can we give him before we leave?

Outside

Draw one flower head or one phyllode. Write the date, the town, and this sentence: "The Lord Jesus made this." If you see no wattle, draw the plant you found and write the same sentence.

Younger children. Find something yellow, or the nearest colour, and say, "Jesus made it."

Older children. Write where golden wattle grows naturally, when PlantNET says it flowers, what a phyllode is, and how John 1:3 governs all four sentences.

Pray. Lord Jesus, all things were made by you. We praise you for this plant, and we praise you for coming into the world to save sinners. Amen.

Leave the plant as you found it.

Journal • what the Lord Jesus has made

Place, date, and weather

What I saw, and the sentence “The Lord Jesus made this”

A sentence of praise to him

Draw what the Lord Jesus has made, or what this lesson showed you of him.

Give thanks to the Lord Jesus

The paid journal does not repeat this wattle lesson. For eight weeks it keeps the same centre: the Lord Jesus, creator and Saviour. The weeks are his making of all things, abiding in him, his death and resurrection, his words about the birds, his rule over wind and sea, his holding all things together, his words about the lilies, and doing all in his name.

Sources for the wattle facts

- Australian National Botanic Gardens, floral emblem notes for *Acacia pycnantha*: proclamation 19 August 1988, phyllodes, flower heads, and pods.
- PlantNET, *Acacia pycnantha*: flowering July to November, and the natural distribution.
- Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet, Australian floral emblem: natural range, late August to September flowering, seed late in December.
- King James Version, public domain, checked on 25 October 2026.

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