

Nat Theo Club

FIELD NOTES

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Sun

CELESTIAL STAR

HABITAT

The brightest star in the Milky Way is 93 million miles away. This star warms the earth and makes it possible for us to live here.

FUN FACT

The colors of a sunrise and sunset are created as the angle of the sun changes. The longer wavelengths are more easily seen such as red, orange and yellow because they can travel farther.

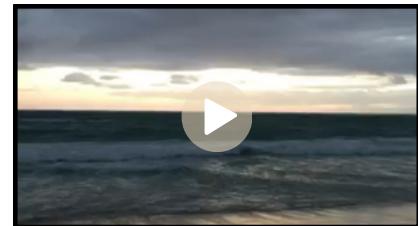


HAVE YOU SEEN A SUNRISE?

I was blessed to go to the Dominican Republic (DR) three years ago. I decided one morning to get up early to see the sunrise over the ocean. It was still dark when I dressed and walked to the nearby beach. I heard the gentle ocean waves crashing before I saw them. I found a spot in the sand near the water's edge and waited. As the sky started to lighten, I could see the clouds above. I took time-lapse pictures to revisit the encounter later (you can watch it below). It was a very peaceful moment hearing the waves and seeing the anticipated glow rise above the horizon.

I don't often wake early enough to see the sunrise at home, but I pause to take in the beauty when I see the earliest morning light. I often get to see the sunset because I am driving my car or working in my yard. I am equally awed by the beautiful sunset colors across the sky. However, I think the sunrise is extra special because most people sleep through it. The hustle and bustle of life often doesn't start until the sun has lifted above the horizon. Choose a day this week to wake for a sunrise.

With permission,
scan this QR code
to watch the
sunrise in
the DR.



<https://youtube.com/shorts/hyCAUsgLXNA>

We can anticipate the sunrise and sunset because they happen every day. God has put many amazing things in continual motion, whether we know it or not. He is a faithful God, and Deuteronomy 7:9 says that He keeps "his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commandments." We can trust that he will continue to cause the sun to rise and fall because we have a faithful God.

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