

## Thought for the day – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022

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### Ants etc

Have you been watching Spring Watch? I am always impressed by the photography and knowledge of the presenters, especially when they start to talk about and show us insects.

Actually watching spy in the wild – I saw a chimpanzee fishing for termites with a stick, and another keeping a small feline as a pet.

When I was in my Bible class we had a magazine called “The Ant” I think the name came because the writer of Proverbs reflected “Go to the ant, you sluggard, consider its ways and be wise! It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, yet it stores its provision in summer and gathers its food at harvest.”

The writer is also impressed by locusts (you remember the plague in Egypt) “locusts have no King but they advance together in ranks.” John the Baptist found them a tasty snack, as recommended in Leviticus 11.22

Jesus taught about moths. “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasure in heaven, -- For where your treasure is there will your heart be also.” Matthew 6.19

By the way - do you remember the bees in Judges- and Samson’s riddle?