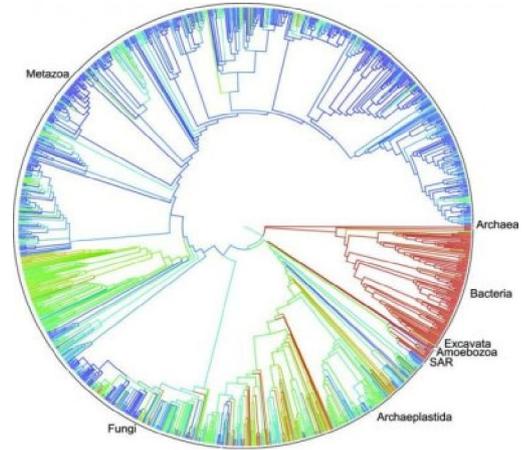


# Care of Creation

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Google pic  
Metazoa - all animals except sponges  
Archaea, Bacteria, Excavata,  
Amoebozoa, SAR,  
Archaeplastida  
Fungi



**Jim's Jottings** : I told you that **Linnaeus is out of date**. Now people of Duke University have published a **first draft of the Tree of Life** as set out when species are classified by their actual genetic makeup instead of by what they look like. Since there are **2.3 million species** discovered and classified so far there is some new naming to be done and the above picture is just a small version of what their computers hold. I have printed out the names of the groups labelled around the picture because the words there are too small to read.

Note that all of us, as animals, come under Metazoa. Note that most of the other named groups are one celled species. Note that the centre of the diagram is empty. In science you can propose any sort of theory you like but you must not lie. No one can yet show how these different life forms came to be. We must not think a single cell is simple. It must import and export, relate to other cells and protect itself. Classifying them all into kingdoms, phyla, classes, orders, genera and species is teaching us more about what God created.

So now, all who believe that God created these living creatures, and much more that we know little about, consider the immensity of it all and worship. Below I show another picture illustrating the parable of the Prodigal Son. Are we going to continue to please ourselves when, working with our Father, we could be changing to a cleaner world and stop polluting air and water and soil?

A recent study has shown that people who live close to nature benefit. A Rocha members may be right. Members of the Diocesan Climate Change Action Group are reaching out to join with others who will pray and protest until political leaders at COP 21 in Paris, November 30 to December 11 take notice. We have had a good run with fossil fuels but we must move on, clean up, take advantage of the other forms of energy available and stop killing off ourselves and other species with polluting chemicals. Auckland City now aims to have zero waste. Air New Zealand is to use electric cars. The Listener has several pages on what is available. People are now working out how many charging stations we need to build on our highways.



Here is another picture from Google for those who remember the story of the Prodigal Son.

The more we learn about the world we live in the more tragic it is seen to be that we do not recognise God's love in it all, not only as it is but as it can become.

Science is one way of learning, but an Intelligence which can make 2.3 million different kinds of life can surely teach some of them to communicate with Himself. Ask anyone with a pet and you will get evidence of species communicating with one another.

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