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Seeing Eye Fish



I will praise [thee], O LORD, with my whole heart; I will shew forth all thy marvellous works. – Psalm 9:1b

The relationship between the snapping shrimp and a fish called the goby is a good example of the Creator's attention to the finest detail. The snapping shrimp has very poor eyesight, while the goby

has excellent eyesight. Both share the same burrow, which is dug by the shrimp and guarded by the goby.

The shrimp uses the goby as a blind person uses a Seeing Eye dog. Whenever the shrimp is outside its burrow, it always keeps one antenna on the goby.

Neither the goby nor the shrimp can survive without each other, so pairs are established for life when both goby and shrimp are very young. For this system to work, both goby and shrimp reproductive systems, which differ greatly, are *synchronized* so that shrimp and goby youngsters are ready to pair at the same time.

This astonishing relationship shows us how our Creator's standards of excellence bring His love to every corner of the creation.

Prayer: Father in heaven, I thank You for the comfort of knowing that nothing in the creation is too unimportant for Your loving attention. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

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