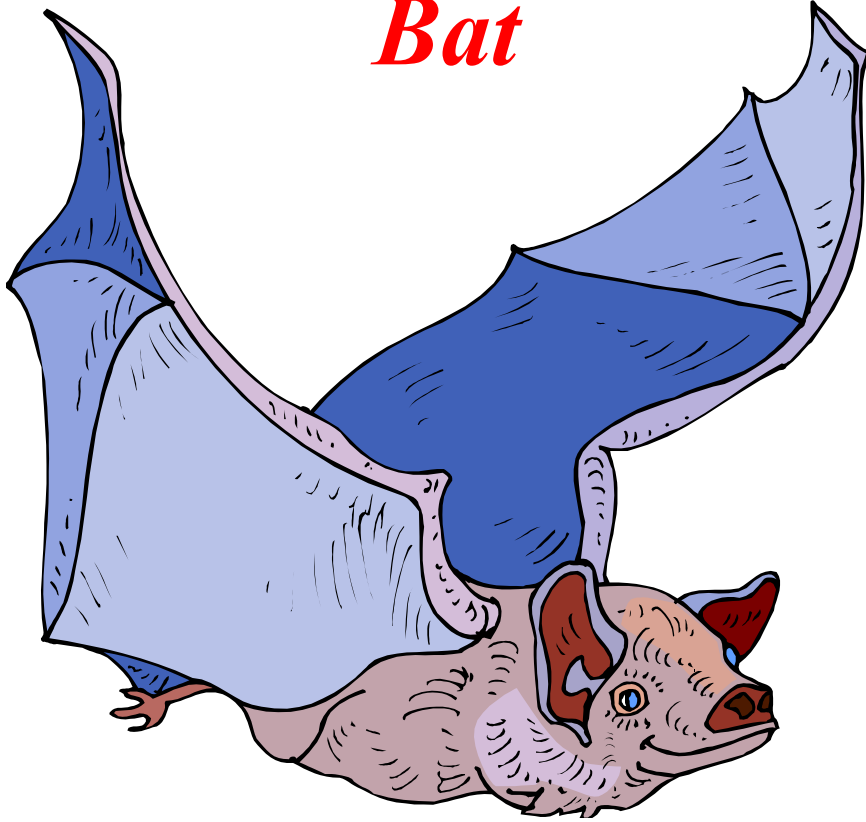


## God's Animal Kingdom Classroom

### *Bat*



The bat is a misunderstood animal and the victim of superstition. In reality, the bat is a great helper to mankind. Bats eat large numbers of insects, many of which are harmful to man. Bats do not attack people or animals except for the very few that feed on blood (*and they attack mostly cattle*).

Bats actually see very well but since they hunt mostly at night, they use sound more than sight to guide them. The radar that bats use at night has

helped scientists develop the radar that is used in planes.

Bats live in colonies located in protected areas such as caves. They get along well together.

What can we learn from the bat?

Bats teach us that superstition is a dangerous thing to allow. Many are hurt by false beliefs and incorrect judgment. We should be careful about judging others because we may hurt innocent people with incorrect thinking. The Bible tells us in Romans 2:1, *“You, therefore, have no excuse, you who pass judgment on someone else for at whatever point you judge the other, you are condemning yourself, because you who pass judgment do the same things.”*

We can also learn to help others by looking at the bat. Bats eat harmful insects and their radar has helped mankind to become safer in planes. We should try to be helpful in what we do. Our actions should be God pleasing so that others may want to copy us for the glory of God. Jesus tells us in Matthew 5:16, *“Let your light shine before men that they may see your good deeds and praise you Father in heaven.”*

Just as bats live together peacefully, we should also try to live in peace with others.

