

man's Place in the Realm
of Creation

P.S. 8:4

You have gazed into the heavens
and seen one star brighter than others,
you have looked upon the glower garden
and seen one flower standing out
more beautiful than others. Then you
have read the psalm and the eighth
stood out as one of the most beautiful.

This psalm begins and ends with
an exclamation. Each of these exclamations
contain admiration. The glory of the Lord fills
the heavens and trains lead them all along
in their dwell angels and arch angels
these know more than we and yet we
not comprehend God.

After making this statement he begins
to show some of the instances in which
the excellence of God appears and the man-
tras three. viz: Infants, heavens, and man.

By infants may be meant babes in their
nursing and Talking manifest God's excellency
for who taught the child to feed or to talk but
God.

He may mean the Jewish children who
cried Hosanna in the Temple at Christ's mira-
cles.

It may mean the apostles and people
of little learning who looking at God's
great proofs of the power of God that it
stilled the clergy and overcame, confounded
the wisest philosophers and stopped the mouths of
devils.

Next the excellence of God appears in
the heavens. when I consider they have
not been created by accident but by the most

Do you in any way or degree catch the largeness of thought which this presents? The earth is 8,000 miles in diameter has circumference 26,400 miles 264 Billion 544 million 857 thousand 944.

This seems tiny but larger, Jupiter 1200 times greater than earth 1 million 384 m and 462 times larger. It is a fact that comes out of the tried stars are much larger than the sun.

These BIG things on the work of God's fingers. He comes

third, 70 man as an illustration of the work of God. Great God of the universe, what price of creation that "Thou art made of no him"? The Hebrew word means "Thou art made of no man, and of no woman, and of no Adam." That "Thou art made of no man, and of no woman, and of no Adam."

There is some reason for this difference. Man is very little compared to earth or Jupiter and Mars and Jupiter are one creation of God? What is man?

Some One has said he is a two legged animal and that he is the only animal that can lie standing up. But man is different creation from Jupiter although both were formed by the same hand.

You are to be congratulated on the fact that you are a member of the Church of Christ. There is no institution equal to the church. You are to be congratulated in that you are a member of that branch of the Christian church known as the Methodist church. So far as numbers are concerned, it is the largest Protestant church in the world, if statistics are correct. Large numbers, however, do not spell anything unless they are active.

Because of our system of appointing pastors all of our churches always have a pastor. Under these favorable conditions, if we do not embellish extra ordinary things we are not living up to our great privilege.

As your humble servant I hope that each of you will always be loyal to your denomination. But with this desire I sincerely trust that you may hold a very broad, liberal and charitable attitude toward all other churches in our midst. Each church in this little city has its peculiar place in God's plan for promoting His blessed kingdom. None of us can say that we are the only church and all others wrong, or we are fighting for the same cause. With this attitude of mind and heart in all our churches we will do much to bring the Kingdom in New Albany.

Now if you rejoice that you are a Christian and glad that you are a Methodist, be at church Sunday at the eleven o'clock hour. At that time you are to have a BIG RALLY SERVICE. Read your county paper this week. At Methodists please come by families. Bring the children and have them baptised. Children as old as older, have them join the church. The pastor will give an illustrated lecture especially suited for children but given in the manner that the of all ages may get a lesson for their souls.

This is no scheme to raise money but to get us all to put a new emphasis on our church.

He is the highest creation of God but at the same time he is the only part of God's handy work that gives the creator any trouble.

God is preeminently a God of glory and praise. All his creatures should praise Him. It is beautiful to turn to nature around about us and see how it glorifies God.

The grass of the field lifts its hands in evidence of the living God.

In the cool of the day you walk through your garden and inspiration fills your heart as you behold the morning glory in all of its freshness lift its face to God in morning prayer and praise for the strength given it by God in the night time.

The springtime birds split their throats in singing and then ring out the blessed note of a divine Creator.

In the bank of clouds at sun set the sun refusing to disappear P. 4. his time shoots forth beams of every color into the vast heavens in testimony of God's grandeur.

Some one might say that I am trying to be flowery tonight in speaking of nature but I am not I have not given you a thought that approaches the beauty of God's creation about us but what I have given is preparatory to this thought, when the crown of creation is not as expressive of praise as is the still Mt. side the birds the clouds or the sea. I am sure why the praise waves

the spiritual lethargy, turmoil, and low idealism when it comes to dimensions I wonder if we ever stop to take stock & see how little we are. A man walks into the church and he thinks he is no big and important that every body of Christ ought to turn around and look at him. The church ought to give a holy day in commemoration of the day he joined the church etc. How big is he? Let's see.

Astronomers do not use a yard stick to measure distance but measuring stick 12000 times as long as the diameter of our earth or in other words the distance from earth to the sun 93000000 miles.

This was their measuring stick till they got to walking around a little more amongst the stars. They found some for away that they got cumbersome so they got another stick known as a light year.

Travel in one year. It travels 186000 miles and by this there is one star which is 200000 light years from us. How do we compare to unity?

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"When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars which Thou hast ordained: what is man that Thou art mindful of him and the son of man that Thou visitest him?"

As I said a few minutes ago, man is different from other created matter although coming from the same hands.

I make a ^{house} ~~box~~ and one day it catches on fire. I am not willing to give my life to put it out I say let her blaze. But suppose my little girl or boy would catch on fire, would I say let her blaze? No I would count my life as nothing to save it why? Because there is a difference between house and child although both are mine. The child is a being as myself and in my very blood.

Man is different from Jupiter. He is a living being made in the image of God.

Putting it in 1st person. I am a personality a thinking being. I am a soul with that in me which is a kin to God. All the world is made for me to live in and to look upon. What is man? One of creation though sinful loved enough for Christ to die for me. Though insignificant as to dimension or compared with the stars, sun and distances, yet bigger than all of this in the sight of God.

Quote the psalm

