

"Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable." Psalm 145:3 KJV

What determines greatness? Size? Quality? Power? Who sets the standard of measurement? We say it is great distance from New York to Los Angeles and it is, when compared to the distance across your room. The great distance from New York to Los Angeles would not seem great if compared to the distance between the Earth and the Sun, and that distance would pale by comparison to the circumference of the Milky Way. Great distance is relative to its comparative value. We could say then, that greatness is determined by comparison.

What comparative value then, would we use to determine God's greatness? There is nothing in Creation that could be used because God breathed it all into existence from nothingness. What comparative value could there be? God has created His own comparisons or contrasts to magnify Himself. For example: His goodness is eternally sovereign, but to manifest its attributes He created and for the time being, allows evil. "*I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.*" The greater the evil, the greater His grace appears. "*The law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.*" It is not that God's grace increases, but that more of it becomes manifest, like fog lifting in the light of noonday sun. The more wretched the sinner, the greater the Saviour appears. Will more sin add to His grace? "*Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid.*" The increased magnitude of the contrast does nothing to increase God's greatness. "*His greatness is unsearchable.*" You could not make evil wicked enough, or sinners wretched enough to fully demonstrate the grace of God. Mercy is only one of God's infinite attributes. "*O give thanks unto the God of heaven: for his mercy endureth forever.*" Creation would be exhausted into the nothingness from whence it came before a speck of God's goodness could be evaluated. How then, do we dare oppose Him? Why would men risk His wrath when they cannot even cope with His creation's catastrophes? The answer is given by God, Himself. "*The fool hath said in his heart, 'There is no God.'*" A blind man walks fearlessly over the precipice, not because he is brave, but because he is blind. Unbelief, or lack of faith, blinds the minds of men to the precipice of perdition. "*Faith cometh by...hearing by the Word of God. Without faith, it is IMPOSSIBLE to please Him.*" Faith is not my crutch, it is my fortress!

There is nothing that can compare,
To Sov'reign God, and naught could dare;
The Law of God will stand supreme,
Through eons of eternity! ~CGP



The omnipresent Omnipotent is never thwarted nor diminished! Even the dead cannot escape His Wrath! While contemplating the infinite number of God's great attributes, don't forget His mercy, love, and grace freely afforded to you by Christ's death on the cross. The eternal Christ died so you might live eternally!

"The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy. The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works." Psalms 145:8-9 KJV