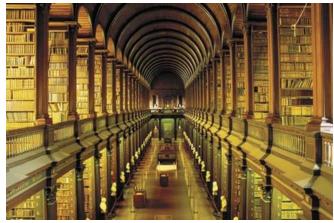
"The LORD reigneth, He is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith He hath girded Himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved. Thy throne is established of old: Thou art <u>from everlasting</u>." Psalms 93:1-2 KJV

Imagine if you will, the Library of Congress and then imagine one single dot of punctuation, a period, in the middle of one of those books as representing all of time, and you may just begin to brush the surface of comprehending eternity. The Apostle John wrote, "And there are also many other things



which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written." And that is just the earthly ministry of Christ! Men can barely comprehend forever future, and eternity past is beyond their reason, because man has a "beginning" with no concept of eternal past. God was "IN the beginning," but He is "FROM everlasting." God has always been and He always will be. "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty." His desire is to transform those He loves from time bound creatures into eternal beings like Himself. "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when He shall appear, WE SHALL BE LIKE HIM; for we shall see Him as He is." We cannot begin to fathom the power of an eternal being whose Word declares substance from nothing by mere utterance. Man's total combined power is to God like a smoke particle from a smoldering taper in a summer breeze. Only a complete fool would even consider questioning such omnipotence! "The fool hath said in his heart, 'There is no God." It requires complete absence of reason and intellect to think one's self immune from the Wrath of Almighty God! "What if God, willing to show His wrath, and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction?" God is giving men the time they cannot do without, to repent before it is eternally too late! "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." God created time for men to repent before eternity swallows them up!

> Eternal God from timeless past, Whose mighty reign forever lasts, Will one day judge each human soul, And transform each He has made whole. ~CGP

God created every atom, ordered them, and combined them into life; from the tiniest bacteria to the largest whale. He can easily restructure the decayed particles of the dead and make them stand before His Judgment Throne. "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the Book of Life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" There is no escape from the Lord who is FROM everlasting!

"Yea, the darkness hideth not from Thee; but the night shineth as the day: the darkness and the light are both alike to Thee. For Thou hast possessed my reins: Thou hast covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise Thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are Thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well." Psalms 139:12-14 KJV