

# REFLECTIONS

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# "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord.

Isaiah 55:8

## **Wonders of God**

Growing up, I remember wondering about God—when He was born, and where; who his parents were and what happened to them; and who would take his place when his days were over. God with no beginning and no end was beyond my grasp. Gazing into the sky, heaven was beyond my vision, and I could only imagine a big wall out there where it all ended. In the perspective of our world, everything has a place. There is a place and time where things begin and a place and a place and time when things end.

The majesty of the world around us leaves us in awe of its complexity. We may accept an intellectual truth that God as infinite, omnipresent and omnipotent, but can we grasp what that really means? With the limitations of human minds, there is still a need to confine God to our worldly boundaries—beginnings, time, and endings. But one of the wonders of God is that He has no such boundaries. It is only *our* limitations to perceive beyond the design of our world that places God in such confines. So for us to grasp and indeed feel his power and love, He came live in our world.

### Paul explained it this way:

"[Christ Jesus] Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (*Philippians 2:6-11*)

I still wonder about God. I still wonder how it is that He was not born and will not die. I still wonder how very large He is and how his mind can deal with all of the matters we confront him with everyday. God is beyond my understanding. But I no longer wonder about his being, or his power, or his love for us, or his willingness to put his Son through life on earth. Because it makes sense to me that the only way that we could ever begin to grasp God's love for us is for him to come and live among us in human likeness. And that's exactly what He did.

It is just another of the wonders of God.

You are the light of the world,

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