



# REFLECTIONS

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**In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.**

*Genesis 1:1-2*

## Who Is This Man?

No one knew back then; nor does everyone understand now. When God took on the massive project to create the heavens and the earth, He had help alongside. *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.* (John 1:1-3)

He made the day and night, waters and dry land, vegetation and seed-bearing plants, the moon and stars, fishes of the sea and birds of the air, and all living creatures to roam the earth. Then, *“God said, ‘Let us make man in our image, in our likeness,’”* (Genesis 1:26) The entire Trinity became involved—the Architect who drafted the plans, the Overseer who hovered in support of it, and the Builder who *In him was life, and that life was the light of men.* (John 1:4)

Who is this man?

He is the source of our incarnation and salvation, and of his revelation. He was there in the beginning, with God, and He is God. *From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only.* (John 1:16-17)

*In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.* (Hebrews 1:1-3)

*Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and aliens, but fellow citizens with God's people and members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.* (Ephesians 2:19-22)

You are a city on a hill—

*You are the light of the world,*

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