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In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Genesis 1:1

Mighty Love

I flipped the light switch on and leaped about six feet to my bed but lost the race. The challenge was invited by a vintage light bulb in an upstairs bedroom closet. Munna made the room my home during one of my traditional summer stays with my grandparents. I became fascinated by that old light bulb because of its deliberate response to the light switch controlling it. Unlike other incandescent light bulbs in the house, this one's response to the energy surge from the switch felt more like watching a sunrise. So, my challenge was to flip the switch and reach my bed before the bulb's glow matured.

Bible study of the creation aroused my memory of that old light bulb. First came the vastness of space and the years required for light to travel before the first light from the earth's nearest star met with human eyes. Hmmm? Unfathomable!

How big is this place God created for us? And how is it that time seems to move at a snail's pace when it actually moves at least as rapidly as light?

These questions of mine are the wonderings of a simple layman with no formal scientific or theological training. I can understand how people like me look for answers based on how we understand our world. But God isn't limited to our world. He lives in an infinite one with neither time nor space limitations. He can make a hammer float and water-soaked kindling burn. He can make the sun stand still in the sky and water turn into the finest wine. After all, He created the heavens and the earth from formless and empty space, and with four spoken words He flipped the switch to give light to the darkness. (See Genesis 1:2)

The wonder of creation and life as we know it cannot be fully realized in this lifetime. But one thing is sure. We have a God mighty enough to speak the vastness of space into majestic wonder, and who loves you and me so much that he *gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.* (John 3:16)

Now that's Mighty Love!

"You are the light of the world."

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