



We Swim for Jesus!

“When I look up into the night skies and see the work of your fingers – the moon and the stars you have made – I cannot understand how you can bother with mere puny man, to pay any attention to him!” Psalm 8:3-4

Bible Verse for Week #26
Life Application notes

1. This psalm declares the majesty of God. To respect God’s majesty fully, we must compare ourselves to His greatness. But when we look at creation, we often feel small by comparison. To feel small is a good way to get back to reality. It’s easy to feel big and important, but one long, nighttime look at the stars can cure that feeling of self-importance. God, the Creator of all the heavens, the moon, and stars, is truly majestic and worthy of our praise, honor and worship.
2. How can anyone take a close look at creation and not see the Creator? David marveled at God’s greatness as he looked at the heavens. No wonder Paul said that human beings will be without excuse when they face God on Judgment Day – God has revealed Himself in what He has made (see Rom. 1:18-20). Take a close look at creation, including God’s human creations, and learn about God.
3. God’s creation is marvelous” the moon, stars, plants, animals. And most marvelous of all are His human creations, whom He made just a little lower than the angels. God is creator of the macrocosm and microcosm, the vast universe and the nucleus of an atom. It’s unthinkable that we would despoil and destroy what God has made. Yet that’s what we do when we pollute the environment, waste precious resources, abuse animals, and curse fellow humans. Take another look at the beauty around you – the twinkle of a star, the intricate pattern in a butterfly’s wing, a smile on a child, the weathered lines in a grandfather’s hand. And treat God’s creation with respect.

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4. When we look at the vast expanse of creation, we may wonder how God could be concerned for people who constantly ignore or disobey Him. Yet God gave us honor and glory (v. 5). We have worth because we bear the stamp of the Creator (see Gen. 1:26-27). The next time you question your worth as a person, remember that God considers you highly valuable. Because God has declared how valuable we are to Him, we can be free from feeling worthless.

5. Compared to the solar system, the Milky Way galaxy, or the expanse of the heavens, planet Earth seems very small. Think of how minuscule human beings are in the universe. Yet God visited Earth and became a human being, a tiny speck in His creation, limited by space, time, and mortality. That's the miracle of the Incarnation – Jesus humbling Himself and being born into our world (see Phil. 2:6-11). And what is even more amazing is that He took our place on the cross, experiencing the penalty of our sins. How can we do less than give Christ our total devotion?

6. Many of David's psalms are filled with praise. This was a natural response of a godly man who felt overwhelmed by God's goodness and grace. Think of what God has done for you. Look again at the gifts He has provided. Then praise God – thank Him and give Him glory!

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