



HAVE YOU LOST YOUR SENSE OF WONDER? -- Pt 1

The gift of seeing the world through God's eyes

In a day and age when we have become very conditioned to big, bigger and biggest, it's pretty difficult to impress anyone any longer. Walt Disney and special effects and instant response and satellites and space travel and multiple kinds of media have given all of us very high levels of expectation, and we don't marvel over much anymore.

Children are easily impressed and are often filled with wonder. They stop and smell the flowers, or stare at the bugs. Their eyes light up, big grins break out on their faces, as they are intrigued by new experiences, sights and sounds. As adults, we don't allow ourselves this "luxury".

Have you lost the wonder of God's creation? Do you just take all the beauty and extravagance of the world for granted? When was the last time you enjoyed a beautiful flower or sunset?

Many of us have little balance in our life when it comes to enjoying God's creation, and we miss a great deal. King David of old was a man after God's own heart, who never lost the wonder of God.

He wrote: *When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars which You have set in place, what is man that You are mindful of him and the son of man that You care for him?* (Psalm 8:3-4)

You see, when we lose the wonder of God's creation, we lose a lot of the wonder of who God is. Take the time to just sit and think about how God created this unfathomable universe where we live. Our galaxy has over 100 billion stars! Snowflakes are all designed by Him. He created atoms and angels and ants and crocodiles and clouds and elephants and eagles and electricity and orchids and onions and octopuses and frogs and hummingbirds and tigers and raindrops and dew drops!

If we were any closer to the sun we would burn to a crisp. If we were further away our planet would turn to ice. But God keeps our earth exactly the right distance from the sun.

Take some time today to sit and look around you at the beauty of the world.

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