

# Thinking God's Thoughts

*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts."  
Isaiah 55:8-9 NIV*

**A**s a new Christian I read a book by a brilliant mathematician whose sole purpose in his book was to remove from the reader's mindset any belief in a God. I recall being swayed for a time by his arguments—but then it occurred to me that when speaking about God, I need a great deal of humility.

What the brilliant man lacked was a realization that if there were a God He would be so much greater than humans that they could never think His thoughts after Him. How could mere dust on the face of creation fathom the Eternal One? A slug might better understand Albert Einstein than a human comprehend the infinite God.

I am not suggesting we leave our minds outside the church building when entering for worship and praise. Not at all. But this matter of God being so incredibly greater than us argues

strongly for the need of the Bible to reveal the Lord to us.

We may learn much about the wisdom and power of the Creator by studying the universe around us. I spend all my time for recreational reading going through science magazines to learn more about the complexity and intricacy of the world we live in and enjoy so much. We all should marvel at the beauties of flowers, sunsets, and other amazing aspects of our world.

Where we get ourselves into trouble is when we think we can stand in judgment on God for how He runs certain aspects of our personal lives. We may complain that we live in relative poverty compared to others. We are rebellious at our poor health compared to others. We may wish we had a better family to enjoy, and on and on the complaints go. We can be very dissatisfied with how the Lord has positioned

us in life.

Having such feelings ignores all the promises in Scripture concerning the adequacy of God's grace. For those who submit to the difficult providence of the Lord, there are exceedingly great and precious promises to take hold of and use to comfort and fortify ourselves in our situations in life.

However, Satan, the world, and the flesh all argue "Not fair!" when we try to understand God's way with us as individuals. Today let us seek humility when we do not understand the Lord, and come to Him for the needed and abundant grace He waits to give us. Come to Him and come today.

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